

Network celebrates 20 years of grassroots organizing

Against all odds, the SC Progressive Network is marking its 20th year of agitating, advocating, educating, and mobilizing for progressive values in South Carolina. Since our founding conference at Penn Center in 1996, our statewide coalition has matured into a broad-based and disciplined cadre with the capacity to make real change.

Our track record shows a long commitment to growing a grassroots movement built on mutual respect and a shared vision for South Carolina that works for all its citizens, not just the well off and well connected. On a shoestring budget, the Network has done remarkable work in the streets, in the courts, in the legislature, and in the classroom.

We created the state's first online database of campaign contributions so voters could see who was buying whom

and for how much, we held mass rallies to pressure lawmakers on passing a moral budget, Medicaid expansion, removing the Confederate flag from the dome and, later, from the State House lawn. In court, we successfully fought the photo ID law and, more recently, Greenville County's unlawful practice of denying college students the right to register to vote.

Now, we are poised to take our work to the next level through an ever-broadening base, emerging new leadership, expanding the Modjeska School, and acquiring our own building. These are exciting times! Please support us however you can—with your time, talent, or a donation. We challenge you to find an organization that will do more with your investment to promote social equality and progressive political power in the Palmetto State. ▼



Activists meet for founding conference at Penn Center in 1996.

Don't miss our annual fall gathering

Twenty years ago, activists from across South Carolina met for a weekend in the Lowcountry to form a progressive coalition with a radical analysis of the state of our state. It was bad then, and even worse now. Don't despair—these are the times we've been preparing for. The time is ripe for change.

We hope you will join us for our **annual fall meeting on Saturday, Oct. 22, 10am–2pm at the Harbison Campus**

of Midlands Tech in Irmo. Network members will talk about the current political reality and the opportunity it offers grassroots organizers. We'll tend to internal business, look ahead to the coming legislative session, and hear updates from member groups about their projects.

We also will elect new officers (see slate of nominees on page 6). Those offering to serve are all graduates of the Modjeska School.

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In the afternoon, we are hosting a free public program about a little-known but fascinating piece of South Carolina history that is guaranteed to educate and inspire.

In developing the curriculum for the Modjeska School, we discovered that Modjeska actually beat us to the idea 70 years ago with a 10-day leadership training institute at Harbison Junior College, the site where we will be meeting, as part of the Southern Negro Youth Congress' 1946 convention in Columbia. (More on page 3.)

Surely Modjeska, who loved history — studying and making it — would be pleased that this nearly forgotten chapter in South Carolina's past is being remembered and celebrated. ▼

Phenomenal SC women profiled in new booklets

In 2014, the Network received a grant from the Richland County Conservation Commission to produce a booklet about Modjeska Monteith Simkins. It was distributed free to readers in the Midlands, and was so well received that the Network ordered a second printing.

Last year, the Network received another grant from the Commission for two additional booklets, on gay rights activist Harriet Hancock and legal pioneer Sarah Leverette, which were printed in the spring.

The author, Network Communications Director Becci Robbins, said, "While I didn't set out to write a trilogy, the booklets evolved into a package that now seems



Harriet Hancock and Sarah Leverette at launch party Oct. 2

perfectly timed. Besides telling the stories of three phenomenal South Carolina women, they offer a chance to explore racism, sexism, and homophobia—problems continuing to fester in the nation's addled psyche.

The booklet about Modjeska, whose grandparents were enslaved, reminds us of South Carolina's grim past - and how it haunts us still. The booklet about Harriet went to press just days before the massacre in Orlando that left 49 people dead and 53 maimed in a gay nightclub.

The booklet about Sarah, who was born on the eve of women's suffrage in America, comes out as the nation deliberates whether to vote for its first woman president. This historic election has come with the sad reminder that misogyny is alive and well.

While the booklets provide no easy answers to the vexing problems we face, they give some historical context to help understand the current social and political climate in America and here at home. And they show the power a single citizen can have, given enough passion and commitment.

I hope these booklets will make their way into the hands of girls and young women who will be as moved and impressed as I have been by Modjeska, Harriet, and Sarah. It has been a great privilege to share their stories." ▼

Free copies of the booklets available at the Network's office, 2025 Marion St. in Columbia, and online at our web site at www.scpronet.com.

Network launches capital campaign to buy building

Having outgrown the Modjeska House we now rent from Historic Columbia, the Network is in the process of buying a place of our own to add more meeting and classroom space.

We are launching a capital campaign to buy and renovate the building next door to the Modjeska House, where we can host regular educational and cultural activities that can sustain the school and invigorate the vibrant scene we've created in the heart of the city.

We must raise \$175,000 by May 31, 2017. Please help. We need your ideas, your support, and your cash. We've enclosed an envelope to encourage your donation. ▼

Network prepares for fall elections

The Network and the National Lawyers Committee held a free election protection workshop on Sept. 16 to prepare volunteers to monitor the upcoming general election. The Network has worked the past three general elections by responding to calls to the 866-OUR-VOTE hotline.

Volunteers are needed to deliver signs with hotline information to county election boards for placement in the precincts, to monitor failures of the voting machines, to report problems at the polls, and to attend county voting certification hearing Nov. 11..

Want to help? Contact the Network at 803-808-3384 or network@scpronet.com.

Problems Voting?

Call the Election Protection Hotline

1-866-OUR-VOTE

Español: 1-888-VE-Y-VOTA

for FREE nonpartisan assistance

A nonpartisan service of the SC Election Protection Coalition and the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

Symposium: *Reconstructing SC's Radical Roots* *Lessons of the 1946 Southern Negro Youth Congress*

To put our organizing work into context and better understand the legacy we've inherited, the Network will explore our radical roots as part of our fall program on Oct. 22.

We invite the public to join us for an afternoon symposium led by University of South Carolina historian Dr. Bobby Donaldson and political scientist Dr. Sekou Franklin, will detail the vanguard role that Modjeska Monteith Simkins and South Carolina's black activists played during the 1940s in the long struggle for civil rights.

The synchronicity is not lost on us. Our meeting marks the 70th anniversary of the 1946 Southern Negro Youth Congress conference at the Township in Columbia, a little-remembered but historic gathering. Simkins did trainings at what was then Harbison Junior College for two dozen young blacks, mostly students, who spent 10 days studying black history, politics, civics, world affairs, and organizing techniques.

Simkins helped establish 11 SYNC chapters across the state that turned out over 400 members to the weekend conference in Columbia. More than 2,500 people, from Birmingham to New York, filled the Township with the intention of striking a death blow to Jim Crow.

It was an impressive gathering. Julian Bond's father came from Atlanta. Angela Davis' mother came from Birmingham. The legendary Paul Robeson sang. Labor organizers and Communist Party members came from up North, and participants came from as far away as Latin America and Africa. Our best notes on the conference come from FBI files that reported 170 participants were white, mostly union and peace activists.

W.E.B. DuBois gave the keynote speech at Benedict's Antisdel Chapel. "Behold the Land" is cited as among the nation's best. DuBois rose to national prominence in 1905 with the founding of the Niagara Movement that challenged Booker T. Washington's accommodationist posi-

tions on segregation. He was instrumental in the founding of the NAACP in 1909, and the National Negro Congress and the Southern Negro Youth Congress in 1937.

The Columbia SNYC conference was the largest human rights event the South had ever seen, with a class analysis of racism and a call for a multiracial united front. At the time, black soldiers were returning from WWII to the hostile welcome of Jim Crow segregation. South Carolina was in the nation's spotlight for having the last white-only primary, the Progressive Democratic Party crashing the 1944 national Democratic convention (20 years before the Mississippi Democratic Freedom Party), and the brutal beating and blinding of Private Isaac Woodard by police at the Batesburg bus station.

Erik Gellman's 2012 book *Death Blow to Jim Crow* says that SNYC was more than a precursor to the modern civil rights movement, it was "the most militant interracial freedom movement since Reconstruction, one that sought to empower the American labor movement to make demands on industrialists, white supremacists and the state as never before."

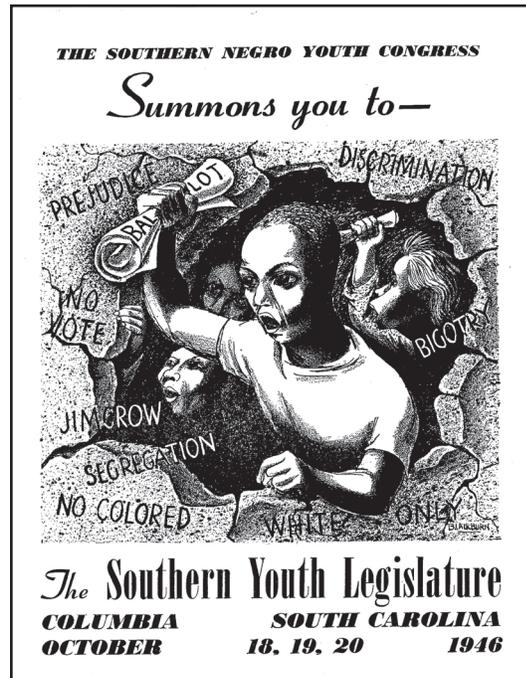
After WWII, anti-communist fear mongering was used to beat back racial equality and labor organizing. South Carolina high school history books teach that "carpet baggers and scalawags induced many of the ignorant and child-like Negroes to turn against the white people" (Simms-Oliphant) and that the Klan arose to halt the progress of 1870s Reconstruction.

Seventy years later, Gov. Jimmy Byrnes identified communists as the outsiders leading blacks astray. Simkins was "red-smear up and down South Carolina" and iced from the SC NAACP leadership in 1957 by black ministers put off by her strong spirit and militant politics. The red scare effectively ended the mili-

tant era of civil rights and domesticated the modern civil rights movement.

DuBois called SNYC's work the "second Reconstruction," making the case that the gains of the first Reconstruction had been erased through the whitewashing of history. Ironically, 70 years after DuBois bemoaned the erasing of the first Reconstruction, we are studying the lost stories of the second Reconstruction of the 1940s – an astonishing period when the citizenry organized a serious challenge to the status quo – right here in South Carolina.

It is this under-valued people's history that the Network is committed to remembering and retelling, both at this conference and through the Modjeska School, which is picking up where she left off. ▼



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Network collaborates with new Progressive Caucus to promote sound legislation in coming session

State Reps. Gilda Cobb-Hunter and Joe Neal have been close allies of the SC Progressive Network since our founding 20 years ago. Rep. Cobb-Hunter represented CASA Family Services on our board for more than a decade, and Rep. Neal served 12 years as our co-chair.

Last year, they founded the SC Progressive Legislative Caucus, announcing a partnership with the Network at our last

fall conference. The Caucus is a small but thoughtful — and vocal — group of legislators who are looking beyond their party to find ways to meet the needs of working South Carolinians.

“The SC Progressive Network is doing what the Democratic Party should be doing if it wants to win elections,” Cobb-Hunter said. “That means having a full time education and organizing program

that’s not focused on candidates and elections, but on values.”

The Caucus is coordinating with the Network to educate and agitate for (and against) targeted legislation. Here’s a summary of what we’re tracking in the coming session. Some of our legislative initiatives are intended to educate the public about what is possible. Others we intend to win.

Moral Budget and Tax Reform

When it comes to funding critical services, the Network has taken a lead role in pointing out that the state is not broke, but our tax code is. The governor and legislative majority refuse to fund education and local governments at statutory levels, insisting that the state cannot afford it and continuing to insist that our taxes are too high. In truth, SC has among the lowest taxes in the nation. We are not broke, our leadership is morally bankrupt.

Democracy and Voting

We will be attacking the political gerrymandering that has resulted in the least competitive elections in the nation, with 78 percent of our 170 legislators being elected without general election opposition. The majority of our legislature is elected with the support of about 7 percent of our voting age population (about 10 percent of registered voters). In Haiti, the next-lowest rate, 19 percent of citizens vote.

Our strategy to reconstruct democracy in South Carolina includes education, legislation, and — when necessary — litigation, and continuing to work with school boards, state agencies and local governments to successfully get around the legislature’s anti-democratic commitment to vote suppression.

Earned Income Tax Credit

Twenty-six states have a form of a tax credit that is a cash payment for low-income wage earners with children to help pull them out of poverty. South Carolina is not one of these states, but should be.

Increase Minimum Wage

Not only is South Carolina one of five states that doesn’t have a minimum wage law, we actually passed a law in 2007 that pro-

hibits local governments from setting a minimum wage higher than the federal minimum of \$7.25. We need to increase the minimum wage and educate the public and politicians that keeping working people in poverty costs us all.

Repeal the Right to Work Act

South Carolina has long been a leader in laws that repress its working citizens and favor the interests of industry. The “right-to-work” for less law is a prime example of this.

Racial Profiling

A bill the Network introduced in 2001 to require all cops to report all stops passed in 2006 requiring all cops to only report warning tickets. We have made great headway getting law enforcement support for reporting all stops, and expect passage next session.

Health Care

The Affordable Care Act was an insurance subsidy to support for-profit health care. While we want to join

the rest of the advanced countries in guaranteeing health care as a right of citizenship, let’s at least take the billions of our own tax dollars, which we have refused, and expand Medicaid to take care of a quarter million of our state’s poorest and most vulnerable citizens.

Clean Elections

We will reintroduce a bill calling for publicly financed elections to reduce the influence of money in politics. We have pushed this bill for 16 years, with the initial sponsor being the late Sen. Clementa Pinckney. In the wake of the Citizens United case that ruled corporations are people, voters are more aware than ever that the election system in this country is broken. Studies show that most voters support publicly financed elections, thinking it a small price to pay to reclaim our democracy. ▼



Sen. Clementa Pinckney at a Network press conference at the SC State House to advocate for a clean elections bill to reduce money in politics.

Want justice? Join a Network project or group

Somos SC

An emerging grassroots social justice group organizing the state's Hispanic and immigrant communities, Somos SC (We Are SC) is doing important work in some of the state's most vulnerable communities.

Laura Cahue, director of organization, took members of the organization to meet with Columbia Police Department's Chief Holbrook to discuss CPD's reporting compliance with the traffic stops law, one of the Network's ongoing projects.

The growing distrust between law enforcement and the Hispanic community, especially the immigrant community, was recognized as a problem that called for



improved communications and understanding between the community and law enforcement agencies in order to improve crime reporting and protection.

The group is planning a series of working meetings with Chief Holbrook and key community leaders to develop a strategy.

For more about Somos SC, contact Laura Cahue at immigrant-rights@scpronet.com.

New Legacy Project

The Network's youth organizing cadre, the New Legacy Project, is hitting its stride, holding regular meet-

ings and steadily building a core group of activists. The group's first public event was planned for Oct. 8 but was postponed because of Hurricane Matthew. Its "Subversive Arts Festival Extravaganza" is now set for Dec. 3, 5-10pm at Tapp's Art Center in downtown Columbia.

For more information, follow the New Legacy Project on Facebook and on Twitter, or email Daniel Dewese at daniel@scpronet.com.

Greenville County ordered to permit college students to register to vote

The Network's two-year campaign to recruit Greenville County college students to file suit against the county election board ended Oct. 7 with a clear victory.

Circuit Judge Robin Stilwell issued an order requiring the Greenville County Board of Voter Registration to "immediately and temporarily cease and desist from requiring the additional questionnaire from on-campus residents of Greenville County colleges."

Judge Stilwell concluded that if the requested relief was denied "the Plaintiffs (Ben) Longnecker and (Katherine) West will not be afforded the privilege of exercising their constitutional rights in the upcoming election. That opportunity will be forever lost."

The lawsuit also prompted the State Election Commission (SEC) to issue its first "cease and desist"

order telling a county board what to do since South Carolina's voting laws were codified in the 1895 constitution that disenfranchised blacks.

"We anticipate that the SEC will force Greenville County to permanently end this practice," said Network Director Brett Bursey, "and that it will use its new authority to force counties to follow standard procedures that will make the voting process in South Carolina less confusing and more equitable." ▼



Furman student Sulaiman Ahmad, Rev. Carol Hill, Network Director Brett Bursey and Greenville NAACP President Rev. J.M. Flemming at the Greenville Court House Oct. 6.

Simple Justice/ Black Lives Matter

Simple Justice started as a grassroots group concerned about the devaluation of black lives before Black Live Matter hit the national scene. Omari Fox was working with Carolina Peace to get a group established to address the growing awareness of police as an occupying force and established Simple Justice at a meeting at the Modjeska House.

Fox later affiliated the group with Black Lives Matter. The group meets frequently, and is in touch with similar activist groups across the state. For more information, email Fox at omarifox@outlook.com.

Young Immigrants in Action

The Network is proud to support the Young Immigrants in Action (YIA) Legislative Action Team. YIA is a grassroots organization of young immigrants in South Carolina seeking affordable access to Higher Education for immigrant students with Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and U.S. Citizens born to undocumented parents. Follow them on Facebook at Young Immigrants in Action for meeting and event dates and information. ▼

Meet the candidates

This is our first election for officers in the Network's c-3 and c-4 organizations with a nominating and voting process designed to engage our entire membership, not just those who can make it to the state conferences. We sent out postcard notices of the election to members on Sept. 1, with nominations due Sept. 19. Since we only have one nominee per open seat, members are not being asked to vote by mail. Elections will be held at the Oct. 22 state conference.

For clarity, the SC Progressive Network is comprised of two organizations that are related but kept separate by federal law.

The SC Progressive Network Education Fund (501-c-3) is our research and policy institute that must be nonpartisan to accept grants and work with schools and other institutions that take tax-deductible contributions. Nonprofit organizations make up the membership of the Network's Education Fund. Each has a seat and a vote on the board of directors. The Education Fund's board elects the officers of its executive committee. Member organizations select their own representative. To check your organization's status, email Kyle@scpronet.com or call 803-808-3384.

The Network's (501-c-4) is comprised of individual and chapter members. Contributions to the c-4 are not tax-deductible, and members can engage in political campaigns and endorse candidates. Our individual members are the "boots on the ground" needed to educate, agitate and organize around the Education Fund's policy work. The executive committee is elected by the vote of individual members at annual meetings. All dues-current members are entitled to nominate, run for, and vote for officers. To check your dues status, email Kyle@scpronet.com or call 803-808-3384.

All nominees must be Network members and be interviewed by the nominating committee. The nominating committee of current officers not up for election and staff acted as a search committee and found qualified nominees for all but one open seat. All the nominees are active in Network activities and are graduates of the Modjeska School.

We're still searching for a nominee to serve as the c-4's treasurer. Nominations can be made by emailing network@scpronet.com or calling 803-808-3384 before Oct 21, to allow time for an interview with the nominating committee.

Network Education Fund (c-3) executive committee nominees



Cochair: Kyle Criminger – (outgoing: Harold Mitchell- incumbent: Marjorie Hammock)

Kyle is from Lancaster and holds a B.A. from USC and a Teaching English as a Foreign Language certificate. A nationally certified health care interpreter, he is a graduate of the inaugural iteration of the Modjeska School and has helped develop the Network's Democracy 101, Racial Justice, and New Legacy Projects. Kyle has served as the Network's membership liaison, welcoming new friends and members since 2014.

"As Network Education Fund Co-Chair, I will pledge to work with the Executive Committee to continue to identify and develop new leaders that understand and implement our time-tested, movement-building strategy. It is a privilege to do the same work in the same vein as Modjeska Simkins and so many other South

Carolinians who also loved justice and equality and laid the groundwork for our movement."

Co-Secretary: Nathaniel Simmons-Thorne (Incumbent Co-Secretary: Wayne Borders)

A Modjeska School graduate, Nathaniel is an emerging activist and an upperclassman at the University of South Carolina where he studies mathematics, philosophy, and history. Movements and activism pertaining to economic justice are particular concerns of his.

"My willingness and interest in serving on the board is shaped by a dedication to bolstering the scope and influence of a statewide progressive political movement equipped with the power to radically renegotiate structure while advocating for the powerless."



Treasure: Gareth Fenley (outgoing: James Carpenter)

Gareth Fenley is a social worker and community organizer. Gareth and her partner, Judy, are joined in one of the first same-sex marriages recognized by the state of South Carolina. She is a graduate of the Modjeska School.



"Through many apparent twists, turns, disruptions, and wanderings, I see one theme in everything I've done: a radical insistence on the integrity of the self. I proclaim the right to be oneself without shame, respected as a human being among equal human beings." "I initiated the Permanence Project to build the capacity of the Network. As a former 501(c)(3) president, I offer experience with nonprofit underpinnings like bylaws and budgets. Wisely attending now to our foundation will reinforce our ability to meet challenges and grow sustainably for years to come."

SC Progressive Network (c-4) executive committee nominees



Cochair: Omari Fox (outgoing: Virginia Sanders – incumbent: Hoyt Wheeler)

Omari Fox grew up in Brooklyn, and moved to Orangeburg as a young adult before attending SC State and finishing his teaching degree at Benedict College. Fox is a primary and high school art teacher in Swansea. He is a cultural worker and community organizer with the Southern Movement Assembly and chapter lead for Columbia based Simple Justice, an official chapter of the National Black Lives Matter movement. He uses art as a tool for social change, blending creativity and politics to further the work of the human rights agenda.

“I am coming forward for leadership to offer my brand of cultural community engagement in partnership with the South Carolina communities that face any and all challenges regarding the rights to access for all in education, equity and participation in our political system, arts and culture, and human rights. My vision for the SC Progressive Network is to be a leader in uniting South Carolina in a united front to reach the rich potential of a state that first seceded from the union and may now have the opportunity to succeed through union.”

Secretary: SaBrina Jeffcoat (outgoing: Leslie Orr)

SaBrina O. Jeffcoat is a graduate of the College of Charleston where she studied Studio Art and Biology. Following graduation she worked in the university sector in Exhibition Design and is currently working with the Columbia Museum of Art in Education and Community Outreach. SaBrina aims to use her love of the arts to make social justice issues more approachable to the masses.



“I look forward to serving as secretary of the c-4 sector of the Progressive Network for many reasons. I come from a liberal arts background that honed my documenting skills and practice in the arts which I think will allow me to also offer creative insight to our problem solving and forward-thinking planning. Thank you for considering me for the incoming secretary position.” ▼

Invest in a revolution of social values

After 20 years of full-time effort, the SC Progressive Network is poised to do its best work yet, but we need your help to take the organization to the next level.

We are a member-driven coalition that has never relied on grants to survive. Most of our budget comes from dues, donations and events. That’s a good sign of popular support, but it is unfortunately not enough to do the field work necessary to broaden our reach or enough to adequately monitor and challenge the shenanigans in the State House.

Our work over the past few years — and the rewarding launch of the Modjeska School — has moved a new group of South Carolinians to answer the urgent call to be more responsible and effective citizens. There is a palpable sense that voters are frustrated with politics as usual, and are looking for a better way forward for the country and our beleaguered democracy.

The collapse of the American political system leaves a leadership vacuum that provides opportunities for us to make meaningful change. There is not another organization in South Carolina that has laid the groundwork and has the experience to be a more effective force for systemic change than the Network. We’ve got the will and the skill, but lack the staff and financial support to maximize opportunities. What we need are more members and recurring donors who see the value in investing in our own revolution.

Please use the enclosed envelope to target your contribution. You can also donate by going to our web site at scpronet.com or by calling our office at 803-808-3384. Together, we can make South Carolina a better place to live, work, and raise our children.

**Yours for democracy,
Brett Bursey, SC Progressive Network Executive Director**

Modjeska School builds a movement, one student at a time

The Modjeska School was launched in 2015 to train activists to be informed and effective organizers. The course provides an intensive study of South Carolina history for students to better understand today's social and political landscape. This is not a traditional history lesson, but rather a people's history of resistance. Classes highlight our state's rich history of both repression and resistance, and analyze our shared past to help shape current theories, strategies and practices for making progressive change in South Carolina.

Already, the graduates have exceeded our most optimistic expectations. The students who graduated from the Modjeska School's first session, held last summer, were diverse. The youngest was 2nd-grader Rose Duncan, daughter of guest lecturer Graham Duncan, and the eldest student was octogenarian Tootsie Holland.

What they shared was an intense, three-month session that covered a South Carolina people's history. The massacre at the Emanuel Church in Charleston took place just two days after we talked in class about Denmark Vesey's 1822 slave rebellion. It was Vesey's church that was again the chosen target of a violent racist attack.

We added an extra class to talk about the tragedy, Sen. Clementa Pinckney, a longtime Network ally, and the political



Rep. Joe Neal leads class of the Modjeska School.

maneuvering around the Confederate flag. It was a stunning example to see how history is made, and remade for public consumption in a way to benefit the power elite.

"These last three months with the school have been incredible," the elder Duncan said, "and I feel fortunate and honored to have been included in helping develop a curriculum for the classes. Seeing a group of people come together to discuss how we can use lessons from South Carolina history to inform and influence our current efforts to organize in an attempt to enact more progressive policies gives me real hope for the future."

The summer session covered South Carolina history as well as our own, teaching how the Network was created and tracing its genealogy from the Grass Roots Organizing Workshop (GROW). Students also learned basic civics and organizing

strategies. "You're never too old to learn new things," said Andy Sidden, pastor at Garden of Grace Church, "and, boy, did I!"

Duncan, Network Director Brett Bursey, and Benedict history professor Meeghan Kane have compiled a study guide of readings that are accessible online. Link to the school from our web site at scpronet.com.

Kyle Criminger, who graduated from the first session, said, "South Carolina community organizers have the complete

package in the school: guided study followed by mentorship in the field. In the people's history lectures and readings, you find a South Carolina you didn't know existed.

We don't just talk about the problems; we're leveraging effective strategy to get the job done. That means students use "shovel-ready" Network projects, hold work meetings, and then educate, agitate, and organize a community of shared values, a movement with the power to set political priorities that meet everyday South Carolinians' needs."

"We are thrilled about the school," Bursey said. "It's a powerful experience, and promises to be a real force for change. We have compiled a provocative and thoughtful collection of readings that we hope will mobilize and inspire South Carolinians, and remind them that democracy is a work in progress." ▼

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