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Kathy Rice, Long Time Academy Administrator, Retires: A Letter to The Membership

Many of you have heard by now that I have 'retired' from the position of Administrative Coordinator with the Academy. Board members were very supportive when assured that this was a firm decision. My husband will be retiring at the end of the year, and life seems to be getting so busy that I have to make a few changes.

I'd like to thank you for the opportunity to serve the Academy for almost 10 years. They have been very good years for me, and I have enjoyed meeting so many of you and being able to work with others by email or over the phone.

Naturally, there is a void in the Department of Accounting at The University of Alabama since the passing of Bill Samson. He would always come by my office when I was there to ask how things were going and to offer a word of encouragement. He is the one I would go to with questions, and if he didn't know the answer, he could tell me who to contact. Early in my association with the Academy, he pointed me to Gary Previts as a founding member. I've pestered Dr. Previts for information and advice for years, and will miss the almost constant correspondence.

Sarah Holmes served as treasurer when I was hired to help record membership payments, and she was very patient during my learning phase. Since then I've also enjoyed working with Treasurers John Rigsby and Jennifer Reynolds-Moehrle.

I am honored to have worked with each of the Presidents of the Academy as their support personnel. Tom Lee was my boss at The University of Alabama at the same time that he served as president of the Academy. This gave me the opportunity for an 'up close' look at the office of President and a deeper appreciation for the dedication of each of the officers.

There are so many others, and all of you have been kind and supportive. It has been a pleasure to work with you, and I wish you all the best for the future.

Your contact now when you have questions or need help with Academy matters will be Ms. Tiffany Welch or Ms. Becca Hayes, depending on your need. Since the back issues of the Journal are stored in the Garner Center at The University of Alabama, and we have such a good working relationship with Birmingham Printing and Publishing for printing, Ms. Hayes agreed to take over clerical responsibilities involving the journal. Ms. Welch will assume all other responsibilities of the position.

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Both individuals are very capable and will serve the Academy well. I'm sure they will enjoy getting to know you all as much as I did.

Best wishes,

Kathy

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research, for example, is more prominent in the US and accounting research within the critical paradigm is more widespread in the UK.

- Longitudinal studies of the relationship(s) between accounting, business and economic history.
- Explorations of the role played by accounting history research in broadening our understandings of contemporary accounting as a social and institutional practice.

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