

# The Central Post

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**Register NOW for the Spring Conference - 2/27/08. Details on Page 2.**



You might be interested in:

## Healthy Kids / Wellness Conference

Now is your chance to join forces with local education and health leaders to make a difference for the health of central Ohio school children. Healthy Kids, Healthy Schools: Wellness Policies in Action is your opportunity to learn practical ways to link academic success with comprehensive school health. At the conference you will hear from a former Superintendent from Mississippi, the Director of the Center for Healthy Weight and Nutrition at Nationwide Children's Hospital, a local principal who successfully implemented a physical activity and breakfast program, and Agent Good Green, as well as other local leaders.

Healthy Kids, Healthy Schools: Wellness Policies in Action, Conference Date: Thursday, February 14, 2008, Time: 8:00 to 3:00 pm

Cost: \$35.00 per person. \$30.00 per person if 2 or more register from the same school district.

Sponsored by Ohio Action for Healthy Kids, [www.ohioactionforhealthykids.org](http://www.ohioactionforhealthykids.org)

Registrations are due by Feb 8, to register, download and complete the conference brochure from [http://www.ohioactionforhealthykids.org/zone\\_teams/documents/brochure\\_000.pdf](http://www.ohioactionforhealthykids.org/zone_teams/documents/brochure_000.pdf)

## Award of Achievement

Each year at our spring conference we recognize board members who have earned the Award of Achievement. This recognition is presented to board members who have completed a combination of professional development and leadership activities. The recipient is generally recognized in the local media, and the recognition sends a strong positive message to the board member's constituents. To receive the award, a board member must earn at least 100 points during a two-year period. For example, a member earns 15 points for attending the new board member workshop, 5 points for being a vocational board member, 10 points for serving as his/her board's board president, and 25 points for attending Capital Conference. For a complete listing of the rules, eligible activities and points, see the application form at <http://www.osba-ohio.org/Files/aa.pdf>

The Master Board Member Award works similarly except that a member must earn at least 300 points during four years.

Why not start yourself on the road to this prestigious recognition by attending Central Region's Spring Conference? You get 5 points for each regional conference you attend. While the award is nice, the real benefit is all that you learn in the process of earning it.

## Ed Bischoff sworn in as 2008 OSBA President



Ed Bischoff (Delaware ESC and Delaware Area Career Center) was installed as OSBA's 53rd President at a ceremony on Sunday, January 13 held at the Delaware Area Career Center. The ceremony featured a number of students showing off their achievements and talents.



Delaware ACC Superintendent Patricia Foor was presented with a special recognition as three recent OSBA presidents have been members of her board: Larry Holdren, Mike Grote, and Ed Bischoff. She has certainly been adept at growing leaders!

Central Region is very proud to have this year's OSBA president from our region. Congratulations, Ed and best wishes for a great year as president. We know the state organization will benefit from your leadership.



# Central Region Spring Conference

Wednesday, February 27, Villa Milano, Columbus



The Spring Conference is an excellent opportunity for district leadership to learn and interact. The topic, “Designing Effective Responses to Accountability Systems”, is one that your leadership will surely want to explore and reflect upon. Participation in the Spring Conference is a fun way to increase your board’s professional development. Remember, Board Professional Development is a factor that research has shown is tied to a district’s student achievement. Don’t your students deserve your board’s attendance?

Districts are encouraged to reserve a table for \$360. This is an excellent opportunity for administrators, board members, and their spouses to make connections and learn together. Your reserved table will seat up to 10 people. The fee includes the meal, service, and materials. At past conferences, some districts have reserved more than one table. If your district has programs, teachers, or board members being recognized, you will probably want to bring a large group and reserve multiple tables.

## Program

5:00 pm	Social hour, hors d'oeuvres and cash bar
5:45 pm	Introductions & student performance
6:00 pm	Dinner
6:50 pm	Remarks from W. Carlton Weddington, Rick Lewis, and Ed Bischoff
7:10 pm	Featured Presentation: Accountability Systems: Effective Response Strategies
7:35 pm	Recognitions: Outstanding School Programs Outstanding Teachers Board Member Service Milestones Award of Achievement Master Board Member

## Directions:

Exit I-270 at Cleveland Avenue. (Cleveland Ave. is the first exit east of the I-71 exit on the north side of Columbus). Go North on Cleveland Avenue to Schrock Road (which is the next intersection). Turn left on Schrock. Villa Milano will be on your left about a mile west of Cleveland Ave.

## Registration

Ohio Revised Code Section 3315.15 authorizes the establishment of a service fund for board members. This fund can be used for expenses incurred at a meeting such as this.

This conference entitles board members to 5 Award of Achievement credits.

District Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration for dinner and the program is \$37 per person or \$360 per table (seats up to 10) for OSBA members, guests and spouses. Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_ registrations or \_\_\_\_ tables. Include a list of attendees and titles with your registration. **Please make checks payable to OSBA Central Region and mail to:** Dr. Michael G. Grote, region secretary, PO Box 3323, Dublin, OH 43016. If you have questions or need to cancel your reservation, please call (614) 365-8661. Deadline for registration is Friday, Feb. 22. Registrants who cancel at least three workdays before the day of the meeting may request a full refund. All others will be charged the full registration fee.

**While checks are preferred, we are happy to accept purchase orders for districts reserving one or more tables.**



\_\_\_\_\_ Check here if you require special accommodations. Attach a written description of needs.