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Capital Conference attendance once again tops 10,000

By just about any measure, the 55th annual OSBA Capital Conference was a success, with 10,111 attending. Keynote speakers included **Herman Boone; Dorothy Hamill; Mallory Holtman and Sara Tucholsky; Vince Lombardi Jr.; Alan November; Mark Scharenbroich;** and Gov. **Ted Strickland**. For complete coverage, see the upcoming Capital Conference issue of the *Journal*. And, it's not too early to mark your calendars for the 2011 conference, which runs Nov. 13-16 in downtown Columbus.

Five school board members earn association's top honor

OSBA recognized the 2010 members of the All-Ohio School Board on Nov. 10, the final day of the Capital Conference. Recipients of OSBA's most prestigious award were: **Kenneth E. Ault, Wood County ESC; Dr. Marilyn J. Carnes, Ross-Pike ESC and Pickaway-Ross Career & Technology Center; JoAnn W. Feltner, Franklin City; Gloria H. Lang, Liberty Local (Trumbull); and Ruth M. Nau, Noble Local (Noble).**

Waverly City's Sharon Manson tapped as 2011 OSBA president-elect

The OSBA Delegate Assembly elected **Sharon E. Manson**, the **Waverly City** board president and a **Pike County Career Technology Center** board member, as the association's 2011 president-elect. Manson, who has served 23 years as a school board member, will become president in 2012 after her term as president-elect. Current President-elect **Cathy Johnson, South-Western City**, will take over as president on Jan. 1, 2011. The Delegate Assembly convened during the association's Capital Conference.

OSBA launches public education awareness campaign

Executive Director Richard Lewis unveiled OSBA's new public awareness campaign "Public Schools Make a Difference," during the Capital Conference. The purpose of the campaign is to generate support for public education by spreading news about the achievements and successes taking place every day in Ohio's schools. For details and campaign resources, visit links.ohioschoolboards.org/72250.

It's time to start planning for School Board Recognition Month

January is School Board Recognition Month, and OSBA is again providing a resource kit at www.ohioschoolboards.org/school-board-recognition-month to help districts honor their board members. This year's theme is "School Boards Make a Difference." Districts that submit articles and photos showcasing their activities can see their events featured in the *Journal* magazine and on the association's website. OSBA also will send each district personalized certificates to present to board members. Submit your articles and photos to **Gary Motz** via e-mail at gmotz@ohioschoolboards.org; regular mail at

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Youth center founder wins 2010 OSBA President's Award

OSBA President **John Pennycuff**,
Winton Woods City, presented
Carolyn Rutland-White with the
OSBA President's Award during
the Capital Conference. The award
honors those who demonstrate
dedicated leadership and support
of Ohio public education. Rutland-
White is the president and founder
of the nonprofit Youth Motivational
Learning Center, which provides
northern Cincinnati-area students
and others free after-school
tutoring and mentoring services.

Voters OK just over half of school district tax issues

Amid uncertainty about future
state funding for schools, voters
approved 51% of the 214 district

Custodian sculpts 6,000-pound sandstone mascot

Thanks to a community volunteer and school custodian, a thirteen-ton sandstone leopard now greets fans at Louisville High School's football stadium. From atop a nine-foot pedestal, the **Louisville City** mascot bares its fangs and stares fiercely at all who enter.

Dennis Biery, a volunteer who led a recent community effort to rebuild the stadium, acquired the sandstone. The leopard was not part of the rebuilding plans until custodian **Scott Bryant** pitched the idea to Biery. Bryant spent about 600 hours sculpting the mammoth block with hammers, diamond-cutting blades and air chisels.

"It was just something I wanted to do for the city and the school," Bryant told a local newspaper. "... This is my donation. I wasn't compensated in any way, shape or form."

Source: *The (Canton) Repository*

tax issues on the Nov. 2 ballot. In
addition to anticipated cuts to state
funding, declining property values
are reducing district revenues.

Western Ohio district to teach online to save calamity days

**Mississinawa Valley Local
(Darke)** will test a program that

enables students to connect to their
classrooms online when inclement
weather closes schools. The Ohio
Department of Education approved
the pilot project for the 700-student
rural district after a comprehensive
review of the plan. A state budget
bill provision reduced the number
of calamity days this year to three.

This month in OSBA history

OSBA's first president, **Jack A. Stewart**, a **Bedford City** board member, died on Nov. 19, 1961, just three days after delivering a report to the OSBA Delegate Assembly. Association Executive Secretary **Lew Harris** paid tribute "to his works and his memory."

OSBA online

● www.ohioschoolboards.org
Handouts from many of the
workshops at the 2010 OSBA
Capital Conference and Trade
Show are now posted online at
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conference-program](http://cc.ohioschoolboards.org/2010/conference-program).



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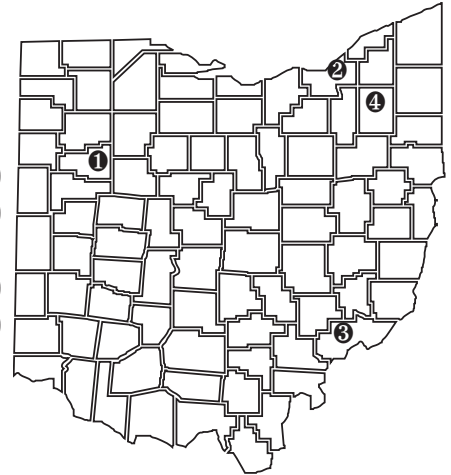
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OSBA executive searches

Superintendent

District	Deadline	Contact
❶ Bath Local (Allen)	Dec. 27	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
❷ Cuyahoga Heights Local (Cuyahoga)	Jan. 14	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
❸ Belpre City	TBD	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000
❹ Streetsboro City	TBD	OSBA Search Services, (614) 540-4000



Other searches

Position	District	Deadline	Contact
Superintendent	Marion Local (Mercer)	Jan. 10	Lynn Will, administrative secretary, Marion Local, (419) 925-4294

National searches

Position	District	Deadline	Contact
Superintendent	Streator, Ill.	Dec. 10	Donna Johnson, director, executive searches, Illinois Association of School Boards, (630) 629-3776, ext. 1233

Board changes

Clyde-Green Springs EV appointed **Matthew Jenne** to the board effective immediately. He replaced **Janet Frankart**, who resigned effective Sept. 30. ●●● **Mason City** appointed **Marianne Culbertson** to the board effective Oct. 18. She replaced **Beth DeGroft**, who resigned effective Sept. 27. ●●● **Olentangy Local (Delaware)** appointed **Kevin O'Brien** to the board effective Oct. 14. He replaced **Dimon McFerson**, who resigned in September. ●●● **Wayne Local (Warren)** Board of Education member **Jack Stubbs** announced his resignation effective Oct. 18. He is relocating outside the district.

Editor's note

Job postings must be received six weeks before the application deadline to ensure timely publication.
Thank you for your cooperation.

Administrative changes

Superintendents

Belpre City Superintendent Dr. **Harry Fleming** announced his retirement effective Aug. 1. ●●● **Berlin-Milan Local (Erie)** Superintendent **David H. Snook** announced his retirement effective June 30. ●●● **Cuyahoga Heights Local (Cuyahoga)** Superintendent **Peter P. Guerrero** announced his retirement effective Dec. 31. **Lora Garrett**, the district's director of administrative services, was appointed interim superintendent effective Jan. 1. ●●● **Lynchburg-Clay Local (Highland)** Superintendent **R. Greg Hawk** announced his retirement effective Dec. 31. The board appointed Director of Instruction **Shane Shope** as superintendent effective Jan. 1. ●●● **Minster Local (Auglaize)** Superintendent Dr. **Gayl Ray** announced her retirement effective July 31. ●●● **Oberlin City** appointed current Assistant Superintendent **John Schroth** as superintendent effective Aug. 1. He replaces **Geoffrey G. Andrews**, who is taking a school director position in Beijing. ●●● **Ontario Local (Richland)** Superintendent **Daryl Hall** announced his resignation effective June 30. ●●● **Springboro Community City** hired interim Superintendent **Eugene Lolli** as superintendent effective Nov. 17. ●●● **Mid-Ohio ESC** hired **Linda T. Keller** as deputy superintendent effective Jan. 1. Keller is currently the superintendent at **Streetsboro City**.

Treasurers

Amanda-Clearcreek Local (Fairfield) hired **Joanne Little** as interim treasurer effective Oct. 23. She replaced **Jennifer Smith**, who resigned. ●●● **Fairborn City** hired **Eric K. Beavers** as treasurer effective Nov. 18. He replaced **Tammy S. Emrick**, who took the treasurer position at **Miamisburg City**. Beavers previously was the treasurer at **Springboro Community City**. ●●● **Firelands Local (Hamilton)** hired **Brad McCracken** as treasurer effective Jan. 1. He will replace **Barbara S. Bechtel**, who is retiring Jan. 1. McCracken is currently assistant treasurer at **Hopewell-Louden Local (Seneca)**. ●●● **Springfield Local (Lucas)** hired **Paul Ryan Lockwood III** as treasurer effective Jan. 1. He replaces **Robert W. Moellenberg**, who is retiring. Lockwood is currently the treasurer at **Gibsonburg EV**.

Sympathies

Former **Beachwood City** Board of Education member **Kenneth William Kleinman** died Oct. 28. He was 65. ●●● Former **Crestline EV** Board of Education member Dr. **Robert T. Duncan** died Oct. 28. He was 85. ●●● Former **Gibsonburg EV** Superintendent **Herb J. Redding** died Oct. 20. He was 84. ●●● Former **Highland Local (Medina)** Board of Education member Dr. **Dwight Ernest Loomis** died Oct. 14. He was 76. ●●● Former **Holgate Local (Henry)** Treasurer **Carolyn Welz** died Oct. 27. She was 82. ●●● Former **Lucas Local (Richland)** Board of Education member **Mike Fanello** died Oct. 15. He was 62. ●●● **Boyd Barden**, a member of the former **Lyons** Board of Education in Fulton County, died Oct. 21. He was 94. ●●● Former **Massillon City** Board of Education member **Wilbur Arnold** died Nov. 1. He was 80. ●●● Former **Solon City** Board of Education member **Eugene Chester Ruse** died Oct. 16. He was 86. ●●● Former **Urbana City** and **Ohio Hi-Point Career Center** Board of Education member **Betty Murray** died Nov. 1. She was 74. ●●● Former **Wayne Local (Warren)** and **Warren County Career Center** Board of Education member Rev. **Walter L. Lamb** died Nov. 10. He was 76.

With OSBA search services, searching for the right superintendent, treasurer or building administrator has never been so easy!

The search was very professionally done. The consultant met with the board as requested and spent many hours with the community in focus groups. OSBA's search services met all of our expectations in a timely manner at a reasonable cost.
— Mechanicsburg EV



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REGIONAL ROUNDUP

compiled by Angela Penquite, communication design manager

OSBA's regions celebrate successful fall conferences

OSBA's five regions have wrapped up another round of well-attended fall conferences. More than 1,050 board members, administrators, guests and students gathered in their respective regions for dinner, networking, learning, fellowship and recognition. In addition, they were entertained by some of the state's top student performing groups.

The fall conferences also featured elections for the 2011 regional officers. Check with your region manager for results. Contact information for the managers, as well as regional news and photos, is posted at www.ohioschoolboards.org/regions.htm.

OSBA President **John Pennycuff**, **Winton Woods City**, OSBA Executive Director **Richard Lewis** and a number of association staff members traveled to the conferences to greet attendees and present OSBA updates.

If you attended a regional conference you are eligible for five credits toward the OSBA Award of Achievement. For more information on the Award of Achievement program, visit <http://links.ohioschoolboards.org/43085> or contact OSBA.

Following are reports on each fall conference from the regional managers.

Central Region

by *Dr. Michael G. Grote*
regional manager

The Fall Conference of the Central Region was held on Oct. 5 at Villa Milano in Columbus. More than 400 people registered for the event, which featured guest speaker **E. Gordon Gee**, president of The Ohio State University, who discussed student transitions from high school to university and promoted writing and thinking skills over rote learning and fact testing.

OSBA President Pennycuff and Executive Director Lewis also spoke.

The region recognized several districts whose high schools were ranked on national lists published by *U.S. News & World Report* and *Newsweek* magazines, as well as the U.S. Department of Education's Blue Ribbon Schools and Ohio's State Superintendent's Schools of Promise:

- **Bexley City**: Bexley High School;
- **Bucyrus City**: Bucyrus Elementary schools, featuring Kilbourne Elementary;
- **Columbus City**: Centennial, Columbus Alternative, Fort Hayes Arts & Academic, Alum Crest, Briggs, Independence, Marion-Franklin, Northland, Walnut Ridge and Whetstone high schools;

Eastmoor Academy; South Urban Academy; and Alpine and Berwick Alternative elementary schools;

- **Crestline EV**: Crestline North Elementary School;
- **Dublin City**: Dublin Coffman, Dublin Jerome and Dublin Scioto high schools, and Willard Grizzell Middle School;
- **Fairfield Union Local (Fairfield)**: Pleasantville Elementary School;
- **Olentangy Local (Delaware)**: Liberty and Olentangy high schools;
- **Shelby City**: Auburn and Dowds elementary schools;
- **Southeastern Local (Ross)**: Southeastern Elementary School;
- **Upper Arlington City**: Upper Arlington High School;
- **Walnut Township Local (Fairfield)**: Millersport Elementary School;
- **Westerville City**: Westerville Central, Westerville North and Westerville South high schools.

Columbus City's Columbus Alternative High School was singled out and presented a plaque for making three lists, earning it the designation of Triple Crown School. Columbus City, along with Dublin City and Olentangy Local, also received Special Mention recognition for their placement on two lists. The schools were

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Columbus's Centennial, Fort Hayes Arts & Academic, and Independence high schools, and Eastmoor Academy; Dublin City's Scioto and Jerome high schools; and Olentangy Local's Liberty High School.

The region also recognized 11 school districts chosen to represent the Central Region at the Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair.

Carol Daniels, nominated by **London City**, and Dr. **Bill Wise**, nominated by **South-Western City**, were presented with the Outstanding Public School Employee award.

The region also designated six individuals as Friends of Public Education. Those honored and the districts nominating them were: **Donna Drury**, **Groveport-Madison Local (Franklin)**; **David Brandt**, **Liberty Union-Thurston Local (Fairfield)**; **Steve and Nancy Butcher**, **Licking County ESC**; **Ginger Kronk**, **London City**; and **Joanie Dugger**, **Upper Arlington City**.

In addition, two outstanding board members were honored as All-Ohio School Board nominees: **Gary Wimer**, **Heath City** and the **Career and Technology Educational Centers of Licking County**; and Dr. **Marilyn Carnes**, **Ross-Pike ESC** and **Pickaway-Ross Career & Technology Center**. Carnes was inducted into the All-Ohio School Board on Nov. 10 during the Capital Conference. The recognition is OSBA's most prestigious honor.

Region President **Charlie Wilson**, **Worthington City**, received the National School Boards Association's (NSBA) School Board Member National Recognition Program award for service at the local, state and national levels.

Northeast Region

*by Russell B. McKenzie
regional manager*

Oct. 6 marked the 2010 Fall Meeting of the Northeast Region at the Tangier restaurant in Akron. There were 154 local school board members, administrators and guests in attendance, representing school districts from all of the region's 19 counties.

After attendees enjoyed a social period and dinner, **Firelands Local's (Lorain) High School Jazz Band**, directed by **Dustin Wiley**, performed.

OSBA President Pennycuff spoke on the state of the association and provided Capital Conference highlights. Executive Director Lewis talked about the significant role that school board members play in the lives of children and also previewed the conference.

Northeast Region President **Roger Samuelson**, **Champion Local (Trumbull)** and **Trumbull Career & Technical Center**, introduced **Reno Contipelli**, **Cuyahoga Heights Local (Cuyahoga)**, to make the presentation of the 2010 Teacher Education Scholarship recipient. The award, in its 10th year, was renamed the "**Lester M. Marrison**

Education Scholarship," in memory of Marrison, a board member at **Ashtabula County ESC** and **Ashtabula County JVSD**, who passed away in June. **Gary** and **Karen Van Fossen** accepted the scholarship on behalf of their daughter, **Lindsey**. A 2010 graduate of **Willoughby-Eastlake City's Willoughby South High School**, Van Fossen is a freshman at The Ohio State University majoring in secondary school languages and hopes to teach high school language.

Samuelson, Pennycuff and Lewis recognized the two Northeast Region Outstanding Board Members: **Gloria H. Lang**, **Liberty Local (Trumbull)**, and **Richard "Rocky" Neal**, **Brooklyn City**. Lang was selected to represent the region on the All-Ohio School Board and was honored with OSBA's highest award on Nov. 10 at the Capital Conference.

Samuelson and Pennycuff presented certificates and recognized the 20 school districts that were chosen to represent the Northeast Region at the Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair. The region also recognized **Mahoning County Career & Technical Center** and **Trumbull Career and Technical Center** for being selected to demonstrate programs at the conference.

The region honored two board members for their years of service. **Jim Edwards** and **Doug Shields** from **Alliance City** received certificates for their 10 years of

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SchoolComp Safety Seminar

Friday, Dec. 3

Cost: \$120

OSBA office, Columbus 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Earlier this year, the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) announced a new 10-step safety program that all employers will have to shift to. This seminar will highlight those 10 steps and discuss the changes school districts can expect and how to best comply with the new rules. A BWC representative will be on hand to answer questions and discuss school-specific challenges that are arising.

Another aspect of school safety involves the Public Employers Risk Reduction Program (PERRP) and how it applies to schools. In the past year, several schools underwent inspection programs by PERRP that focused on confined spaces, so that topic will be addressed as well. Finally, PublicSchoolWORKS, which offers a comprehensive, fully automated risk management system for schools, will discuss its services and how it integrates with the new 10-step model. Please join us for this important and informational seminar.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. To register, call OSBA at (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA. You also can register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org under the "OSBA Events" link.

New board members: Trying to maneuver the maze of boardmanship?

Find your way at the New Board Member Academy

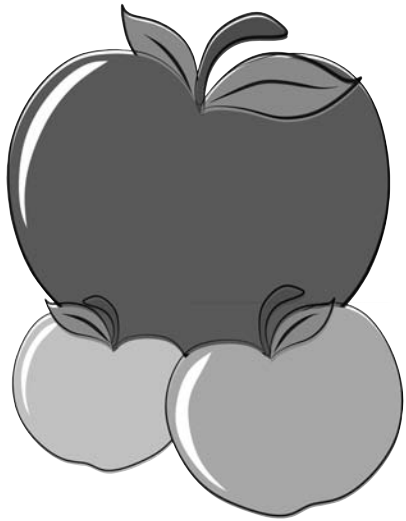
- **Designed for new board members**
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- **Plenty of networking opportunities**
- **Saturday, Jan. 15 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the OSBA office, Columbus**

School boardmanship is more complex and demanding than ever. To carry out their leadership duties effectively, it is necessary for new school board members to begin moving from the role of an involved citizen to that of a responsible elected official as soon as possible. High-quality board member education, designed specifically for newly elected board members, can help you become a more effective educational leader in your community.

This intensive academy will focus on the world of boardmanship; communicating effectively; board policy 101; how Ohio schools are funded; collective bargaining and employee relations issues; and the Sunshine Law and executive sessions.

Cost for the academy is \$155 per board member. Four books are included with workshop tuition: *Boardmanship*, *Board-Treasurer Partnership*, *Board-Superintendent Partnership* and *Board-Legislature Partnership*. To register, call (614) 540-4000 or (800) 589-OSBA or register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org/event_listing.





Management Development Series #4: **Implementing Healthy Choices for Healthy Children (SB) 210 — It may not be as bad as you think!**

Tuesday, Dec. 7

10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

OSBA office, Columbus

Cost is \$75

Senate Bill (SB) 210 is causing quite a stir in school districts around the state. Body mass index (BMI) screenings, nutrition consultations and guidelines, physical activity reporting and report card information are all pieces of this giant puzzle. Fortunately, there are school districts that are already doing these things and experts in the educational community that can help your district.

Attend this workshop to learn how some school districts in northeast Ohio have navigated the rocky waters of BMI screenings with the help of the Cleveland Clinic. Hear from the School Nutrition Association how it is helping school districts implement the nutritional guidelines of the bill. Learn from the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) what is actually expected and required from school districts, as well as ODE's other responsibilities under this bill.

Registration will begin at 9:45 a.m. The registration fee will include materials, lunch and refreshments. Space is limited, so register today!

Agenda

9:45 a.m.	Registration and refreshments	11:15 a.m.	Implementing nutritional guidelines and the myths of school lunches <i>Beth Spinks, School Nutrition Association of Ohio</i>
9:55 a.m.	Welcome	12:15 p.m.	Lunch (provided)
10 a.m.	Navigating through student wellness and BMI screenings <i>Marty Cool and Marty Motsco, First Ring Superintendents' Collaborative; and Persis Sosiak, Cleveland Clinic</i>	12:45 p.m.	Reporting requirements and responsibilities <i>Sandra Hood, Ohio Department of Education</i>
11 a.m.	Morning break		

School Finance for Treasurers Seminar

Friday, Dec. 10

**Quest Business and Conference Centers
Columbus
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Politics, school funding and education issues continue to be at the forefront in Columbus. Get the latest information on the upcoming state biennial budget and what's going on with the General Assembly lame-duck session. This annual finance seminar is your opportunity to get answers and information from the experts!

Find out what's at stake for Ohio's schools — we're talking politics, legislation and much more! Be "in the know" with the School Finance for Treasurers Seminar. Cost is \$120, which includes materials, lunch and refreshments.



Agenda

- 8:45 a.m. Registration
- 9:15 a.m. The state budget and revenue outlook — Are we really \$8 billion short?
Dr. Howard Fleeter, partner, Driscoll & Fleeter
- 10:15 a.m. Response to the Brookings Institution Report — Is consolidation the answer?
Dr. Howard Fleeter
- 11: a.m. Ohio budget experts — How would former policy leaders handle the budget shortfall?
Thomas Zaino, tax commissioner under former Ohio Gov. Bob Taft
- Noon Lunch
- 1p.m. Ohio School Funding Advisory Council (OSFAC) recommendations and the fate of the Ohio Evidence Based Model
Robyn Essman, director, Columbus City, OSFAC member; *Michael Dawson*, public policy consultant, OSFAC member; and *Carey McDonald*, Ohio Department of Education, OSFAC member
- 2 p.m. Break
- 2:15 p.m. What are the think tanks thinking?
Andy Benson, vice president, KnowledgeWorks Ohio; *Matt Mayer*, president, The Buckeye Institute; *J. Matthew Yuskewich*, executive board, Ohio Society of CPAs; and *Zach Schiller*, research director, Policy Matters Ohio

To register, contact Laurie Miller, OSBA events manager, at (614) 540-4000; (800) 589-OSBA; or Lmiller@ohioschoolboards.org. Register online at www.ohioschoolboards.org under the "OSBA Events" link.



WORKSHOP REGISTRATION

SchoolComp Safety Seminar

Dec. 3, \$120

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**Healthy Choices for Healthy
Children SB 210**

Dec. 7, \$75

**School Finance for Treasurers
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Cancellation and refund policy

- Cancellations received by OSBA at least four workdays before the date of the workshop will receive a full refund or no charge to the district.
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- No-shows and cancellations the day of the workshop will be charged the full registration amount.

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board service.

Awards were given to the region's outstanding administrators, nominated by their boards of education. **Mary Rose Walker**, principal at Champion Local's Champion Middle School, was named the region's outstanding principal. The region's outstanding superintendents were **Peter P. Guerrero**, Cuyahoga Heights Local, and Dr. **Roan M. Craig**, Mahoning County Career & Technical Center.

Northwest Region

*by Dr. Judy Jackson May
regional manager*

The Northwest Region Fall Conference was held on Oct. 7 at the **Lucas County ESC**. ESC Superintendent **Sandra Frisch** unveiled the beautifully renovated center, which boasts the latest technology. Region President **Kenneth E. Ault**, **Wood County ESC**, was the evening's master of ceremonies and also received the region's 2010 outstanding board member award.

The conference theme "From One Community to Another: Lifting Up Lake Local" centered on the continuing efforts to assist **Lake Local's (Wood)** recovery efforts after its high school was destroyed by a tornado in June. The region's career centers donated items for a silent auction. Dr. **Paul R. Lockwood II**, **North Point ESC** and **EHOVE Career Center**, directed the region's second annual silent auction, with proceeds going to Lake Local. **Penta Career Center**

stole the show with more than 40 items on display, including a hand-made wooden garden cart. Penta Career Center Superintendent **Ron Matter** and board members were on hand for the program, and the region sincerely appreciates their continued support. Other items were donated from **Vanguard Sentinel** and **EHOVE** career centers.

Under the direction of Col. **Jim Coomler** and Cadet **Sheldon Goodrum**, the **Springfield Local (Lucas)** ROTC assisted with the silent auction, passed out programs, directed parking and opened the conference with the posting of the colors. Dr. **Angela Zimmann**, Lucas County ESC, offered the invocation and Lake Local's Jazz Ensemble, led by director **Jennifer Perry**, provided the entertainment. Lake High School Principal **Lee Herman** was on hand to introduce the group and was joined by Superintendent **Jim Witt**, Treasurer **Jeff Carpenter**, Technology & Grant Coordinator **Donna Zalar** and other Lake Local personnel.

Members of the Northwest Region Executive Committee greeted attendees and assisted with the conference. OSBA President Pennycuff and Executive Director Lewis provided updates on OSBA activities.

The evening's awards included the Northwest Region's \$500 Educational Book Grant, given to **Elizabeth Trigg**, **Ottawa-Glandorf Local (Putnam)**.

Zimmann and **Russell Bretz**,

North Baltimore Local (Wood), honored the region's veteran board members.

Timothy McKinney, **Bath Local (Allen)** recognized the groups that will be participating in the OSBA Capital Conference Student Achievement Fair. Each group was presented an award at their Capital Conference Booth on Nov. 9.

The evening's events concluded with the presentation of a preliminary check to the Lake Local Board of Education for \$12,213 raised during the Lifting Up Lake 5K held on Sept. 18, cosponsored by the region. The silent auction raised \$1,050, which was presented at the Lake Local board meeting on Oct. 19 by **Jackie Brown**, **Rossford EV** and Penta Career Center; Regional Manager **Judy Jackson May**; and **Lisa Bell**, Penta Career Center's DECA instructor, who coordinated auction items donated by Penta students.

Southeast Region

*by Paul D. Mock
regional manager*

The Southeast Region enjoyed a very successful fall conference this year, with 202 individuals registered from 34 of the region's 85 school districts. **Tri-County Career Center** in Nelsonville was the setting for the Sept. 30 event.

Tri-County students assisted with the evening's activities. Members of the Office Professionals program were greeters; decorations were provided by students in the

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Fashion Marketing program; Culinary Arts students made and served hors d'oeuvres; and students in the Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement program were parking attendants.

Region president **Sharon E. Manson, Waverly City and Pike County Career Technology Center**, presided over the meeting, with OSBA President Pennycuff and Executive Director Lewis providing association updates. **Damon Asbury**, OSBA director of legislative services, presented a

legislative update.

Pennycuff presented a resolution approved by the OSBA Board of Trustees honoring the Southeast Region on the occasion of its 60th anniversary. The region welcomed back Southeast Region presidents from the last 30 years. Lewis recognized those attending: **Paul Taylor**, formerly of **Nelsonville-York City** and **Tri-County Career Center** (1985); **Lee Murphy**, formerly of **Crooksville EV** (1988); **Doree Ireton**, formerly of **Logan-Hocking Local (Hocking)** and **Tri-**

County Career Center (1989); **Dan Frizzi Sr.**, **Bellaire Local (Belmont)** and **Belmont-Harrison JVSD** (1990); **Paul D. Mock**, formerly of **Perry-Hocking ESC**, **Logan-Hocking Local** and **Tri-County Career Center** (1993); **Roger Morrow**, formerly of **East Muskingum Local (Muskingum)** and **Mid-East Career and Technology Centers** (1994); **David H. White**, **Fort Frye Local (Washington)** (1995 and 2007); **Allen E. Mann**,

Union Local (Belmont) and **Belmont-Harrison JVSD** (1996); **Janice McFerren**, formerly of **Zanesville City** (1997); **David Carter**, **East Guernsey Local (Guernsey)** (1998); **Dr. Robert Curry**, formerly of **Tri-Valley Local (Muskingum)** (1999); **Manson** (2001 and 2010); **Ruth M. Nau**, **Noble Local (Noble)** (2002 and 2008); **Larry A. Good**, **Muskingum Valley ESC** (2003); and **Ed Penrod**, **Logan-Hocking Local** and **Tri-County Career Center** (2004).

Veteran board members recognized for 15 years of service included **John Depoy**, **Athens-Meigs ESC** and **Tri-County Career Center**; and **Mary Pat Hanson** and **Jeff Shaner** from **Morgan Local (Morgan)**. **Rod Hineman**, **Belpre City** and **Washington County Career Center**, and **Dr. Paul Crabtree**, **South Central Ohio ESC** and **Scioto County Career Center**, were recognized for 10 years of service.

Manson, Pennycuff and OSBA Deputy Executive Director **Rob Delane** presented the Southeast Region Outstanding School Board Member Awards to **G. Raymond Belcher**, **South Central Ohio ESC** and **Scioto County Career Center**; **Barbara Border-Gibson**, **Portsmouth City** and **Scioto County Career Center**; **Janet H. Stewart**, **Zanesville City** and **Mid-East Career Technology Centers**; and **Nau**. **Nau** was chosen to represent the Southeast Region on the All-Ohio School Board and was recognized on Nov. 10 at the OSBA

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Capital Conference.

Manson, Pennycuff and **W. Bryce Watt**, Muskingum Valley ESC, presented plaques to the top recipients in the region's annual Outstanding Recognition Program, which began in 1993. Sixty-five nominations were received from 21 school districts. The Outstanding Student Program went to the Elementary Physical Education Program from Logan-Hocking Local; Outstanding Male Student was awarded to **Myron V. Jellison** from Union Local's Union High School; and the Outstanding Female Student was **Lindsay M. Miller** from **Franklin Local's (Muskingum)** Philo High School.

Other awards included: Outstanding Faculty Member **Kathleen Shelton Haskell**, Tri-County Career Center; Outstanding Classified Staff Member **Sandy Babcock**, East Muskingum Local's New Concord Elementary School; Outstanding Treasurer **Larry D. James**, Fort Frye Local; Outstanding Volunteer **Earl Butler**, Mid-East Career and Technology Centers' Zanesville Campus; Outstanding Administrator Dr. **Judith L. Van Voorhis**, Muskingum Valley ESC director of curriculum, instruction and assessment; and Outstanding New Program or Innovation **Wellston City's** Wellston High School Academic Coaching Program.

The President's Award, selected each year by the region president, honors those who have shown unwavering commitment and dedication to public education and boys and girls in Southeast Ohio.

Honored was **William J. "Willie" Hobbs**, Waverly City.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of the region's highest award, the "Advocate of Education" Hall of Fame Award. Each year, the region executive committee selects an individual, business or corporation that has roots in the Southeast Region and has gone above and beyond in promoting children and public education in the region and across the state.

The 2010 recipient was Dr. **Max W. Evans**, professor emeritus of educational administration from Ohio University's Gladys W. and David H. Patton College of Education and Human Services. A self-described "83-year-old 'child of Appalachia'" from Muskingum County, Evans has served as a teacher; elementary school principal; superintendent; professor; international chief-of-party for educational projects; and educational consultant in Nigeria, Botswana, Namibia and Mexico. He is the author of several publications, including *Selecting and Evaluating the Public School Superintendent*, once published by OSBA.

In addition to the Hall of Fame award, Rep. **Debbie Phillips** (D-Athens) presented Evans with a proclamation from the Ohio House of Representatives for his accomplishments.

Southwest Region

by *Ronald J. Diver*
regional manager

The Southwest Region Annual Fall Meeting was held Oct. 14, at

the **Warren County Career Center** in Lebanon. President **Donna J. Myers**, **Northwestern Local (Clark)** and **Springfield-Clark Career Technology Center**, chaired the meeting. The 229 attendees were entertained by the **Hillsboro City Symphonic Choir**, under the direction of **David White**. The **Lebanon City Junior Air Force ROTC cadets**, instructed by Master Sgt. **Michael Thiergart**, presented the colors.

The Warren County Career Center staff and students treated everyone with wonderful hospitality. Special thanks to Superintendent **Maggie Hess** and the career center board for allowing us to use their facilities.

Seven school districts were recognized for registering at least four board members, and new Southwest Region superintendents and treasurers were introduced.

Framed certificates were presented to the 31 Southwest Region programs chosen as participants in the Student Achievement Fair for the 2010 OSBA Capital Conference. A framed certificate was also presented to the **Goshen Local (Clermont)** High School Show Choir for being chosen as the Southwest Region's 2010 Student Achievement Fair performing group.

OSBA Executive Director Lewis provided an OSBA update and assisted in various presentations. OSBA lobbyist **Michelle Francis** provided a legislative update.

A special plaque was presented

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in recognition of the 14 OSBA presidents from the Southwest Region. Included on the plaque were the names of the four secretaries of the region. On hand to honor the occasion were past presidents **William D. Case**, formerly of **Vandalia-Butler City** (1977); **Ronald J. Diver**, formerly of **Carlisle Local (Warren)** and **Miami Valley Career Technology Center** (1998); Dr. **James K. Uphoff**, formerly of **Oakwood City** (2001); **Catherine D. Ingram**, **Cincinnati City** (2005); and **Tawana Lynn Keels**, **Princeton City** and **Great Oaks ITCD** (2009).

Immediate Past President **Katie McNeil**, **Middletown City** and **Butler Technology and Career Development Schools**, presented the region nominating committee report, which was adopted as presented. **Randall E. Smith**, **Forest Hills Local (Hamilton)**, was elected the 2011 Southwest Region president-elect. **JoAnn W. Feltner**, **Franklin City**, will be Southwest Region President in 2011.

The ninth annual Al Kettlewell Award for outstanding board leadership were presented to three Outstanding Board Member recipients: Feltner; **Sandy Free**, **Greenfield EV**; and **Michael J. Enriquez**, **Batavia Local (Clermont)**. Each was presented a flower and a framed certificate from the region. Feltner was named the All-Ohio Board representative from the Southwest Region after the meeting.

The Southwest Region Outstanding Student Program

Awards were again a huge success. Thirteen programs (three programs from each of four categories plus a special recognition program) were judged as outstanding by Miami University Middletown, and each received a framed certificate.

Outstanding New Student Programs were: Mad River Educational Advancement, **Mad River Local (Montgomery)**; Community Garden Project, **Valley View Local (Montgomery)**; Flight Crew, **Vandalia-Butler City**; and a special recognition for **Sycamore Community City's** Launch Transition Program.

Outstanding Ongoing Student Programs were: Student Achievement Recognition, **Franklin City**; The Community Reading and Growing Together — a literacy program, **Huber Heights City**; and Leap Frog to First Grade, **Three Rivers Local (Hamilton)**.

Outstanding Volunteer Programs were: Project More, **Graham Local (Champaign)**; HOSA Blood Drive, **Miami Valley Career Technology Center**; and Dollars for Darfur, **North College Hill City**.

Outstanding Multi-District Impact Programs were: Arlington Heights Academy, **Lockland Local (Hamilton)**; Day of Service, **Madeira City**; and Teacher Academy, **Warren County Career Center**.

The ninth annual Friend of Education award was presented to Southwest Regional Manager Diver. Diver joins the "Southwest Region Friend of Education Hall of

Fame" with **Franklin Walter**, former superintendent of public instruction; **Al Kettlewell**, former Southwest Region secretary; **Bob Wehling**, former P&G executive and school board member; **Dave Harcum**, who worked diligently to solve public education's sovereign immunity dilemma when liability insurance was no longer available; **Joe Nuxhall**, character education sponsor; Uncle **Al Lewis** & Captain **Wendy Lewis**, the producers-directors and performers of the longest-running children's show on television; **David Jenike**, COO of Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden; and **John (Jack) F. Cassidy**, president and CEO of Cincinnati Bell.

Diver was honored for his many years of service and dedication to public education, beginning with his days as a board member at the Carlisle Local School District in 1972 and continuing to the present as secretary and manager of the Southwest Region. He served 28 years on the Carlisle board and 17 years on the Miami Valley Career Technology Center board. Diver led OSBA as its president in 1998 and has served in numerous association leadership roles and on Ohio Department of Education committees. He became region secretary in 2000 and still serves in that capacity under a new title, regional manager.

Diver is on the Warren County Community Services board and a member of the Carlisle Lions Club, Dearthoff Center in Franklin and Franklin Chamber of Commerce.



PUBLIC SCHOOLS WORK!

compiled by Gary Motz, managing editor

CPE presents special awards at OSBA Student Achievement Fair

Three school districts selected to share their programs at the 2010 OSBA Student Achievement Fair were singled out for special recognition by the Coalition for Public Education (CPE).

The coalition is a statewide alliance of education, parent and civic groups working to improve Ohio public education and increase accountability to taxpayers. OSBA is a member of the coalition.

The districts were recognized with CPE's Success in Public

Schools Awards on Nov. 9 during the OSBA Capital Conference.

Chosen for the 2010 honors were an alternative teaching and learning methods program for special needs students; a patriotic project highlighting local military veterans; and a community-school collaboration.

Districts and programs receiving the awards were:

- **Bluffton EV**, Guitar Class for Students with Special Needs;
- **Forest Hills Local (Hamilton)**,

This Land is Your Land;

- **Youngstown City**, Service Learning Project.

The Student Achievement Fair, one of the most popular events at the Capital Conference, featured 100 booths displaying innovative and exemplary school programs from around the state. This year, State Board of Education members toured the fair, talked to teachers and students, and presented certificates.

Source: CPE



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

by Angela Penquite, communication design manager

Funds to involve youth in environmental projects

The Captain Planet Foundation funds projects that promote an understanding of environmental issues. These projects must promote and include hands-on involvement, interaction and cooperation within the group, planning development and problem-solving skills.

Maximum awards: \$2,500

Eligibility: projects must involve children and young adults ages 6-18

Deadline: Dec. 31

Contact: www.captainplanetfoundation.org

Building library collections

The Laura Bush Foundation provides grants to update, extend and diversify the book collections of school libraries. Funds are available for library books and magazine/serial copies and subscriptions.

Maximum awards: \$6,000

Eligibility: individual schools where a minimum of 50% of the student body qualifies for the free

or reduced lunch program

Deadline: Dec. 31

Contact: www.laurabushfoundation.org/web2/index.html

Grants for math and science

The Toshiba America Foundation makes grants for projects in math and science designed to improve student instruction.

Maximum awards: \$10,000

Eligibility: teachers of grades six-12

Deadline: Feb. 1

Contact: www.toshiba.com/taf/612_apply.jsp

December 2010

- 1 OSBA Northeast Region Executive Committee MeetingRavenna
- 3 OSBA SchoolComp Safety Seminar.....Columbus
- 4 OSBA Executive Committee Meeting.....Columbus
- 7 OSBA Southwest Region Executive Committee MeetingTBD
- 7 OSBA Management Development Series #4: Senate Bill 210Columbus
- 10 OSBA School Finance for Treasurers Seminar.....Columbus
- 31 *Last day for treasurer to canvass the board to establish a date for the organizational meeting — RC 3313.14.*

January 2011

- 10 *Last day for voter registration for February election — RC 3503.01, 3503.19(A) (30 days prior to the election).*
- 15 OSBA New Board Member Workshop.....Columbus
- 15 *Deadline for boards of education of city, exempted village, vocational and local school districts to meet and organize — RC 3313.14; last day for boards of education of city, exempted village, vocational and local*

- 18 *school districts to adopt tax budgets for the coming school fiscal year — RC 5705.28(A)(1).*
- 18 *Last day to submit certification for May conversion levy to tax commissioner — RC 5705.219(B) (105 days before election).*
- 20 *Last day for boards of education to submit fiscal tax-year budget to county auditor — RC 5705.30.*
- 21 OSBA Executive Committee Meeting.....Columbus
- 22 OSBA Board of Trustees Meeting.....Columbus
- 24 *Last day to submit certification for May income tax levy to Ohio Department of Taxation — RC 5748.02(A) (100 days prior to the election).*
- 28 *Last day to submit May emergency levy, current operating expenses levy or conversion levy to county auditor for May election — RC 5705.194, 5705.195, 5705.213, 5705.219 (95 days prior to the election).*
- 29 OSBA Board Presidents' Workshop.....Columbus
- 29 OSBA Board Presidents' WorkshopFindlay
- 31 *Annual campaign finance reports due (by 4 p.m.) detailing contributions and expenditures through Dec. 31, 2010 — RC 3517.10(A)(3) (last business day of January);*

deadline for educational service center (ESC) governing boards to meet and organize — RC 3313.14.

February 2011

- Feb. 2 *Last day for school district to file resolution of necessity, resolution to proceed and auditor's certification for bond levy with board of elections for May election — RC 133.18(D); last day for county auditor to certify school district bond levy terms for May election — RC 133.18(C); last day to submit continuing replacement, permanent improvement or operating levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.192, 5705.21, 5705.25; last day to certify resolution for school district income tax levy, conversion levy or renewal of conversion levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.195, 5705.219(G), 5748.02(C); last day to submit emergency levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.195; last day to submit phased-in levy or current operating expenses levy for May election to board of elections — RC 5705.251(A) (90 days prior to the election).*