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SAVE THE DATE!

Tuesday August 10, 2010

> Local Leaders Annual Picnic

And

Treasurers' Workshop

The picnic will be held rain or shine at the St Clairsville Memorial Park Rotary Pavilion

The workshop will be held at Undo's beginning with lunch at noon.

More info will be sent to Local Presidents

ELECTIONS TO TOP DISTRICT RA AGENDA

EOEA Board of Directors unit representatives and alternates from Coshocton County, Muskingum County, Noble County, and Support-DD are up for election at this spring's representative assembly.

The incumbents are: Melissa Shamel, Renée Spiker, Sandy Carpenter and Amy McConn respectively. As of this printing Shamel and Spiker have declared their intent to seek re-election.

EOEA President Michel Dossie has declared his intent to seek the position of OEA Director from Eastern. Incumbent Rita Walters did not seek re-election as she plans to retire soon and would not be able to complete a full term.

Nominations for all position may be made from the floor of the assembly. It is sometimes difficult to fill the alternate positions and the Board then has to appoint. Contact President Dossie if you are interested in serving as an alternate.

In other business the delegates will be asked to approve the 2010-11 budget and to amend the EOEA Constitution and Bylaws in order to replace the term MR/DD with DD.

OEA SUMMER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

EOEA is again offering ten scholarships to the OEA Summer Leadership Conference to be held August 2-4, 2010 in Dublin Ohio.

The scholarships will include the \$100 registration fee and lodging for Monday and Tuesday nights at \$95 per night plus tax. All meals are included. OEA will also provide an equal number of grants that cover the same expenses.

Scholarships and grants will be awarded as fairly as possible with every effort made to distribute them equally across the district. Preference will be given to members who meet the following criteria: prospective or emerging leader, ten or fewer years in the field, or from a local not attending recently.

Registration for the summer OEA Leadership Conference will begin on May 1, 2010, and can be done on line at: *leadership.ohea.org*

Deadline for requesting a grant or scholarship is April 20, 2010. Requests should be emailed to Jack Boyd at: *oea.eastern@gmail.com* or by calling (740) 453-2186. All applicants will be notified by April 22, 2010, regarding their status.



REMINDER TO OEA-R PRE-RETIREDS

If you belong to OEA-R as a pre-retired member and are planning to retire this year, you need to notify the OEA Membership Department when you retire so they can update your membership status. This will enable you to get on the mailing lists for elections and other materials on time.

AUGUST WORKSHOP AND PICNIC

The annual Local Treasurers' Workshop will be held on Tuesday, August 10, 2010, at Undo's in Saint Clairsville. Lunch will be provided starting at noon.

This workshop is one of the criteria for the OEA Fiscal Fitness Award. OEA Secretary-Treasurer Jim Timlin will conduct the workshop. Following the workshop we will host our annual Local Leaders Picnic at the Saint Clairsville Park in the Rotary Pavilion. All local leaders are invited to attend and attending the workshop is not a requirement to attend the picnic. We plan to "dine" around 5:00.

Hope to see all leaders there!

OEA ENDORSES STRS CANDIDATES

Two candidates have been endorsed for the two active STRS positions that are to be elected in 2010.

Mark Hill is a middle school math teacher, Vice President of the Worthington EA and an OEA member. Hill is working towards certification in pension and health care issues through the International Foundation of Employee Benefits Plans.

Dale Price teaches mathematics at the Toledo Technology Academy High School, a building representative for the Toledo Federation of Teachers and an OFT member.

EMAIL ADDRESSES NEEDED

Please update your email address with us. We would like to have your personal email address instead of your school email so we can contact you during the summer months if necessary. We want to be sure every member is receiving our information in a timely fashion.

Email us at: *jboyd@eastern.ohea.us* so we can update our files.

WHEELING ISLAND TRAINING

April 16-17, 2010, contact your local President for details.