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2012 Fall EOEA Representative Assembly Report

Two Locals were winners of the Local Affiliate Excellence Award at this year's assembly. Indian Creek received \$125 and Zanesville was awarded \$100.

There were 46 delegates and 10 guests who attended the assembly. Guests included: Pat Frost-Brooks - OEA President, Bill Leibensperger - OEA Vice President, Tim Myers, OEA Secretary/Treasurer, Dale Kain

- NEA Director, Scott DiMauro - Central President, Tai Hayden - Capital President, Robin Jeffries - NEA Director Candidate, Tim Shamfer - NEA Director Candidate, Mike Mahoney - OEA Communications, and Patti Dice from NCOEA.

The Crisis Fund raffle winner was Julie Cutlip from East Guernsey. She won \$136.

Delegates Needed!

Consider representing your local members by serving as a delegate to the EOEA Representative Assembly. Locals may elect one delegate for every 45 members or fraction thereof with a minimum of one delegate per local. Contact your local president or EOEA for more information.

Chance to Win CA\$H

Join OEA-R/NEA-R now and have a chance to win \$100 at the OEA Spring RA and a \$25 gas card at the EOEA Spring RA. You must join by contacting John Hoyes or Jack Boyd to be entered in the drawings.

Membership forms will be available at both the EOEA and OEA RAs this spring.

There will be a \$100 drawing at the OEA RA for every 10 new memberships opened.

STRS CANDIDATES ENDORSED

The Ohio Education Association has endorsed three candidates for re-election to the STRS Board. Carol Correthers is running for re-election to a seat on the Board representing active teachers. Jim McGreevy and Bob Stein are seeking relection to seats representing retired teachers. The election for these three Board seats will begin in April.

Carol Correthers is a special education teacher from the Lorain City Schools. She has served on the STRS Board since 2009.

Jim McGreevy is a retired teacher from Zanesville. He was elected to the STRS Board in 2009 and served as Chair of the Board in 2011-12.

Bob Stein is a retired teacher from Strongsville. He was elected to the STRS Board in 2009. Stein has experience in investments and business.

Spring RA Elections

Elections will be held for EOEA President and Vice President along with Directors from the following units: Coshocton, Muskingum, Noble, and Support/DD.

Incumbents are: Danielle Bunting, President; Mike Dossie, Vice President; Melissa Shamel, Coshocton; Renée Spiker, Muskingum; Sandra Carpenter, Noble and Melaine Bates, Support/DD.

All current office holders have declared their intent to seek re-election, except for Spiker who is retiring.

Alternates for each of the units will also be elected.

Volunteer and help lead your District Association.

Spring Representative Assembly will be held on Thursday, April 11, 2013. Make sure you are represented.

Save the Date

Our annual Local Treasurers' Workshop and Local Leaders Picnic are scheduled for Tuesday, August 13, 2013.

PART 1 - The day will begin with lunch at Undo's followed by the workshop sessions. Tim Myers, OEA Secretary/Treasurer will conduct the Treasurers' Workshop. This will be Tim's first time leading the workshop for EOEA.

We are planning to offer other workshops concurrently with the Treasurers' workshop. If you have any suggestions for other sessions contact President Bunting. Information regarding the other workshops will be forwarded when available.

PART 2 - Following the workshops we will hold our annual picnic at the Saint Clairsville Park in the Rotary Pavilion. The Pavilion offers the emenities necessary to have the picnic rain or shine. All food and beverages will be provided.

Requests for reservations will be sent to local presidents as soon as the final arrengements are completed. We will also post the information on our FaceBook page and website.

Summer Leadership Conference to be held Aug 5-7, 2013

EOEA will provide 10 scholarships and OEA will provide 10 matching grants for this summer's conference. They both include the registration fee and two nights lodging. Sunday night's lodging and mileage - are not included.

Preference will be given to members from Locals who have not sent participants in recent years, emerging leaders, and members with ten or fewer years of experience.

How to apply for a scholarship will be available soon on our website. All other information including deadlines will also be posted there.

Scholarships and grants will be awarded in April before online registration begins.

Text Message Alerts

To receive live text messages from OEA text "OEA" to 69866.

This is the quickest, most convenient way to receive up-to-date in-

formation affecting education in Ohio.

The first 500 to sign up will have a chance to win an i-Pad mini.

LAE Award

Could your local use a little extra cash? Check out the criteria for the Local Affiliate Excellence Award on our web site.

Recieve \$25 for every criteria that is met. It's easy to do and the money could help support activities that local members need.