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### DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER 16, 2006	CCA O LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, CCA O OFFICES, COLUMBUS
NOVEMBER 17, 2006	CCA O BOARD OF TRUSTEES, CCA O OFFICES, COLUMBUS
DECEMBER 11, 2006	CCA O BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HYATT REGENCY, COLUMBUS
DECEMBER 10-13, 2006	CCA O/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE, HYATT REGENCY, COLUMBUS
MARCH 3-7, 2007	NACo LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE, HILTON WASHINGTON, WASHINGTON, D.C.
JUNE 10-12, 2007	CCA O/CEAO ANNUAL CONFERENCE, PARK INN TOLEDO (FORMERLY RADISSON HOTEL), LUCAS COUNTY (TOLEDO)
JULY 13-17, 2007	NACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE, RICHMOND, VA

### ASSOCIATION NEWS

#### GENERAL ELECTION 2006: 42 NEW COMMISSIONERS & 1 COUNCIL MEMBER TO TAKE OFFICE IN JANUARY

The 2006 Primary and General Elections will bring changes to 39 of Ohio's 88 counties. Forty-two new commissioners and one Summit County Council member will take office in January 2007. Of the 90 regular seats (87 county commissioners and 3 county council members) and 3 unexpired terms on the ballot in the 2006 General Election, there were 47 democrats, 45 republicans, and 1 independent; 8 females and 85 males elected.

#### Primary Election Summary:

- 24 did not run (8 D's & 16 R's)

- 4 lost (1 D & 3 R's)
- 1 commissioner (R) resigned after the primary
- 1 commissioner (R) retired after the primary

#### General Election Summary:

- 38 incumbents won (17 D's, 20 R's and 1 I),
- 11 incumbents ran unopposed (2 D's & 9 R's),
- 16 incumbents lost (1 D & 15 R's).

In Summit County, Council Member (District 4) Pete Crossland was elected to an at-large seat and won. A replacement will be appointed to Crossland's unexpired term in District 4. Also, Summit County Council Member (District 2) Tom Teodosio was elected as Common Pleas Court Judge for a term commencing May, 2007.

A summary of the General Election results for county commissioner/county council member seats is

enclosed with this issue of CIDS for county commissioners.

#### CCAO VOICE MAIL DOWN ON MONDAY - NOV 6

The CCAO voice mail system crashed sometime over the weekend, but it was not discovered until Monday morning, November 6. If you left a voice mail message for any CCAO staff member after business hours on Friday, November 3 until Monday afternoon, November 6, and please call back. All new and saved e-mails were erased by the malfunction. CCAO is sorry for this communication glitch!

#### DISCUSSION FORUM NOW AVAILABLE ON THE CORSA WEBSITE

CORSA would like to inform members that our discussion forum is now active at [www.corsa.org](http://www.corsa.org). One of the best tools available for risk managers, loss control and safety professionals is obtaining current, updated information. The ability to query peers, share information and disseminate written materials in real-time can also make our jobs easier and us more effective. Our discussion forum is a very effective way to help us achieve these goals. Members will need to obtain a user name and password prior to accessing the forum. If you do not have access, please contact Tricia Callahan at [tcallahan@ccao.org](mailto:tcallahan@ccao.org) to obtain your user name and password.

#### OCCO SEMINAR & LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON - NOV 14

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the Ohio Council of County Officials (OCCO) seminar and legislative luncheon on Tuesday, November 14, 2006! A seminar of interest to all county elected officials on "IRS Treatment of Taxable Fringe Benefits" is scheduled from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. followed by the legislative luncheon at noon in the Statehouse Atrium in Columbus. The Ohio State Coroners Association will host the luncheon.

Recently the IRS has been conducting audits on public entities to determine if certain employee fringe benefits are being appropriately treated as taxable

income under the Internal Revenue Code. Currently, the IRS is auditing a northern Ohio county, and an audit has been completed on the City of Columbus. It is our understanding that these entities were randomly selected, too. Attend the seminar to find out what items are considered taxable and under what conditions; discussions will cover certain meal allowances while traveling, cell phones, automobiles, employer-provided vehicles, personal use of vehicles, uniforms and gifts.

County officials need to continually communicate and build a partnership with members of the General Assembly. OCCO encourages you to invite your state senators and state representatives to the luncheon, in addition to the general invitation that OCCO will be sending. Keep in mind that legislators will attend the event and look for county officials from their district. Please help us ensure that county officials are in attendance for each legislative district!!!

Many of you see your lawmakers regularly within your counties. OCCO strongly encourage you, though, to travel to Columbus on November 14 to physically show your support for your lawmakers, who will be looking to see if anyone from their district made the effort to come to this important event.

Please RSVP your attendance at the seminar and/or luncheon so that seminar materials can be prepared and an accurate meal count can be ordered.

After you meet with your legislators at the Statehouse, please take some time to see the following:

- **County flags** will be flying on Veterans' Plaza on the east side of the Senate Building.
- **Statehouse Rotunda Display** - A rare public display of ornate silver serving pieces from the Battleship Ohio, launched 105 years ago by President William McKinley, is on display in the Statehouse Rotunda. The 13 silver items are on loan from the vaults of the Ohio Historical Society with special permission granted to the Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board from the United States Navy. Major ships served as a floating embassy

during this period and the silver was used for elaborate receptions and meals when docking in foreign ports.

**CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE -  
DECEMBER 10-13**

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the 125<sup>th</sup> CCAO/CEAO Annual Winter Conference and Trade Show to be held December 10-13, 2006 at the Hyatt Regency, 350 North High Street, in Columbus. Register for the conference by November 17 to get the pre-registration discount. Registration materials were mailed to county commissioners, county engineers and CCAO affiliates this week. Everyone attending the conference must register, even if you are attending meetings only. Government employees may sign up to attend meetings by the day (i.e., Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday).

**Preliminary Agenda**

**Monday, December 11**

**CCAO Workshops**

- Drug Testing & Drug Free Workplace Program Implementation
- Directions on Wellness Programs from the American Cancer Society
- Recent Updated Floodplain Regulations
- Automation Technology
- Senior Management Accused of Harassment? How to Respond.
- Tax Increment Financing
- Workforce, Economic Development & Social Services
- CCAO Legislative Update

**CCAO/CEAO General Session**

- Governor Elect (invited)
- Review of the 126<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (leadership invited)

**Tuesday, December 12**

**CCAO Workshops**

- The Destructive Forces of METH

- Future of State & Local Revenues
- County Airports
- RC&D Workshop
- Justice - At What Cost?
- Foreclosure Prevention - Win/Win For Residents & Property Tax Base
- Today's 4-H: Tradition & Innovation
- Lean County Government

**Wednesday, December 13**

**CCAO Workshop**

- The First Step To A Healthier You

A copy of the agenda was faxed to all Board of County Commissioner Offices on November 3. Please make copies for all interested staff. To obtain a copy via email please contact the CCAO office at (614) 221-5627.

**REGISTRATION**

Some registration options have changed this year. Registrants have the following options to choose from:

**Packages**

**Full Conference Registration**

by 11/17 - \$275                                  after 11/17 - \$285  
(Conference registration and the following meals are included: Sun. buffet dinner, Tues. continental breakfast, Tues. lunch, Tues. Banquet and Weds. buffet breakfast.)

**Meetings Only (Government Employees)**

by 11/17 - \$25    after 11/17 - \$35  
(Conference registration priced per day - Mon, Tues & Weds. No meals.)

**Meetings Only (Corporate Employees)**

by 11/17 - \$155    after 11/17 - \$165  
(Conference registration for the entire conference. No meals.)

**Tuesday Banquet Only**

by 11/17 - \$60    after 11/17 - \$70  
(Reception, dinner & entertainment)

**Spouse/Guest**

by 11/17 - \$110 after 11/17 - \$120  
(Full packet + spouse/guest luncheon & program)

**Spouse/Guest Luncheon Only**

by 11/17 - \$45 after 11/17 - \$55

Please note: Anyone attending a meeting during the conference is required to register. County officials or employees registering for meetings only packets must register for each day they are attending. The nominal registration fee defrays the conference expenses incurred by CCAO/CEAO to hold the conference.

**SPOUSE/GUEST ACTIVITY**

Woodhaven Farm: The Cooking Connection, located in Licking County (Johnstown), will be the destination for spouses/guest registrants on Monday, December 11. The bus will leave on Monday, December 11 at 9:45 a.m. and return around 2:30 p.m. Woodhaven Farm is a participatory gourmet cooking adventure. Attendees who wish to refrain from cooking can hike on the property! Join Chef Tami Cecil for a culinary adventure. For more information about Woodhaven Farm check out [www.woodhavenfarm.com](http://www.woodhavenfarm.com).

**ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION OF 2007 OFFICERS**

The CCAO Annual Meeting and election of 2007 officers will be held on Tuesday afternoon, December 12 at 2:15 p.m. The Banquet and installation of officers will be held on Tuesday evening.

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

Please make your reservations (\$135 single/double) directly with the Hyatt Regency, 350 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43215, (888) 421-1442 or <http://columbus.hyatt.com/groupbooking/cmhrccnty2006>. Cut off date: November 17, 2006. If CCAO/CEAO doesn't pick up the room block our expenses increase and it will be reflected in higher registration fees next year.

2007 COUNTY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE		
HOLIDAY	ACTUAL HOLIDAY	LEGAL HOLIDAY
New Year's Day	January 1	January 1
Martin Luther King Day	January 15	January 15
President's Day	February 22	February 19
Memorial Day	May 30	May 28
Independence Day	July 4	July 4
Labor Day	September 3	September 3
Columbus Day	October 12	October 8
Veteran's Day	November 11	November 12
Thanksgiving Day	November 22	November 22
Christmas Day	December 25	December 25

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RING

In 1986, CCAO authorized the creation of an official county commissioners ring. The ring was designed at the request of current and former county commissioners under the guidance of CCAO. To order a ring, please contact Mike Miller at Miller's Jewelers in Mansfield at (419) 522-2793. It takes about six weeks for delivery of the rings.

**CCAO SERVICE CORPORATION PROGRAM NEWS**

ENERGY/TELECOM SAVINGS - COST CONTROL ASSOCIATES, INC. INFO UPDATE

A recently CCAO-endorsed service provider, Cost Control Associates, Inc. (CCA), makes it possible for local governments to receive funds and cost savings from their telecom and energy providers. Through a nationally bid contract by Dallas County, TX that meets the competitive bid requirements for local governments, the National Association of Counties (NACo) and Cost Control Associates developed a program that is focused specifically on reducing costs

in cellular, local and long distance phone, electrical, and natural gas services.

Cost Control Associates accomplishes this through two distinct methods: cost recovery/reduction and source analysis. First they can examine bills of existing telecom and energy suppliers to identify any potential errors, submit claims based upon those errors, and obtain refunds. Prior to submitting any potential claims CCA will present their plans of action to the county client for approval. Recommendations will be made in writing, and will only be implemented at the discretion of the client.

Secondly, they can also perform a comprehensive comparative analysis of rate plans from different service providers in the client's available area for telecom, electrical, and natural gas services. Again, recommendations will be made by the CCA and implemented only after county approval.

Fees for this program are contingency-based and tied directly to the refunds and savings produced. *If no savings are found, then nothing is charged.* CCA also takes no fees from any telecom or energy suppliers. This independence from suppliers means they will be providing impartial advice that is best for you, not anyone else.

**Update:** As mentioned in a previous update, Cost Control Associates has just recently added Tuscarawas County to their client list. In addition, the New York State Association of Counties used Cost Control Associates to do their analysis and they found a \$6,000 savings. This is a terrific no-cost, no-risk program, and it is highly recommended if you are curious about potential savings in your county's energy or telecommunications billing.

For detailed information or to discuss program enrollment, please contact Norm Poli of Cost Control Associates at (989) 358-1590 or via e-mail at [norm.poli@costcontrolassociates.com](mailto:norm.poli@costcontrolassociates.com). For general information, please contact Brent Fisher, CCAO Enterprise Services Manager, at 614-220-7996 or via e-mail at [bfisher@ccao.org](mailto:bfisher@ccao.org).

## STATE ACTIVITIES

### MEDICARE DRUG PLANS AND YOUR CONSTITUENTS: 20,000 OHIOANS TO LOSE "DEEMED" STATUS

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) have announced that approximately 20,000 low-income Ohioans will lose their "deemed" status for prescription drug plan assistance for 2007. What does this mean? When the Medicare Part D prescription drug plan began, certain low-income individuals were automatically presumed to qualify for special prescription drug assistance. The 20,000 Ohioans affected have lost their "deemed" status because of a change in financial standing since the program began. This does not mean they do not qualify for any assistance. It only means they will need to do two things: 1) Apply for low-income financial subsidy assistance that helps cover some out-of-pocket costs associated with the Medicare Part D prescription drug plan through the Social Security Administration by obtaining an online application at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) or by calling 1-800-772-1213; and 2) Select and enroll in a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan. The open enrollment period for 2007 coverage is November 15 to December 31. Questions about Medicare prescription drug plans should be directed to the Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIIP) at 1-800-686-1578.

### SBA LOANS AND STATE INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AVAILABLE TO FLOODED SOUTHERN OHIO

The Small Business Administration (SBA) approved Governor Bob Taft's request for Pike County to be granted an SBA declaration on October 26. With this declaration, residents and business owners of Pike and its contiguous counties of Adams, Highland, Jackson, Ross and Scioto who sustained flood damage caused by the October 4 storms are eligible to apply for the SBA Disaster Loan Program.

In addition to the SBA loan program, the governor

authorized the implementation of the State Individual Assistance (IA) Program. The State IA Program, developed in 2000, is designed to provide grants for disaster-related unmet needs to individuals and families who have uninsured essential private property damages or losses.

The program does not duplicate disaster assistance from any other available sources, but fills a gap for those who have serious and essential unmet needs or losses not addressed by the Small Business Administration, insurance, voluntary agencies or other state agencies.

To be eligible to apply for State IA Program assistance, applicants must first apply for a home/personal property disaster loan from the SBA and be denied or determined ineligible for a loan. The current maximum grant amount is \$16,800.

Since its availability in July 2001, the State IA Program has provided 264 grants totaling \$1,779,213 (average grant total: \$6,769) to individuals and families affected by five gubernatorial and SBA-declared disasters in Ohio.

For additional information on the State IA Program, contact the Ohio EMA Disaster Recovery Branch at (614) 889-7171.

CENTER DEDICATES OVER \$110,000 TO ADDRESS LOCAL FARMLAND PROTECTION PRIORITIES

Ohio State University's Center for Farmland Policy Innovation announced support for three projects to test-drive new ideas to protect Ohio's farmland. The grants, totaling more than \$100,000, went to applicants in Portage, Wayne and Clark counties. The center will act as a partner on each of the projects, and each community is contributing at least a 25 percent local match in either direct or in-kind funding. Jill Clark, interim director of the center, announced the awards at the 7th Annual Ohio Farmland Preservation Summit at the Ohio Department of Agriculture on November 2.

The awards went to:

**PORTAGE COUNTY** - A partnership between the village of Hiram, Hiram Township and Hiram College in Portage County to determine whether Transfers of Development Rights (TDRs) are a viable tool to protect farmland in the township and stimulate growth in the village. TDRs, which have been used in other states to protect farmland but never before in Ohio, focus development in areas that have the services to handle growth and protect land in areas that don't. Farmers are compensated for protected land and developers are provided bonuses in areas that are considered to be able to handle growth.

**WAYNE COUNTY** - Wayne County, which, along with collaborators in Holmes and Ashland counties, will use the \$17,875 grant to conduct a comprehensive review of all the county's policies to determine their effect on agriculture and land use, and then suggest revisions to present to county commissioners. The process will begin in Wayne County and be replicated in the other two counties. About three years ago, Wayne County formed an Ag Success Team to discuss area-wide strategies to support agriculture.

**CLARK COUNTY** - Clark County for the Clark County Farmland Policy Innovation Program: Agriculture in the Economy, which will develop a strategy for finding a funding source to protect an additional 10,000 acres of farmland in its current joint county/land trust farmland preservation program - a joint venture with the Tecumseh Land Trust. Clark County will use the \$36,000 grant work comprehensively with public and private partners to bring more value-added agriculture to the county.

The Center for Farmland Policy Innovation began operations in March 2006 with funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service. The goals for the center's Farmland Protection Partnership Program include supporting projects that would be successful in protecting farmland on a local basis; encouraging innovative programs in Ohio and offering them as examples for the rest of the state; and

offering support to help local governments do more to protect farmland.

For more information about this program, see the center's Web site at <http://cffpi.osu.edu/program.htm>.

### FOOD STAMP SANCTIONS MEETING

CCAO met this week with ODJFS Director Barb Riley to discuss potential repercussions around food stamp sanctions that are looming. As you may recall, Ohio received notice from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) that Ohio received sanctions for federal fiscal year 2005. The USDA requested that Ohio reinvest \$1.5 million into the program toward improvements and \$1.5 million as a penalty that will be held in abeyance contingent upon Ohio's performance in federal fiscal year '06. We will not know for a while yet how Ohio fared compared to other states.

The purpose of the meeting was to begin discussion about how to handle the sanctions if they come to pass. CCAO expressed the following principles in guiding the process:

- Sanctions should always be a shared responsibility (i.e. the state cannot simply pass sanctions along to counties without accepting their fair share of culpability)
- A statistically valid methodology must be identified and it cannot be retroactive in application (Currently, the sample size pulled by the federal government to determine compliance is very small and would not accurately reflect a county's performance)
- County general funds are not available. Counties do not possess the resources to absorb such costs from the general fund.
- If the sanction amount would render the county unable to perform basic services and only exacerbate bad performance problems

into the future, then we need to consider other options. That may mean going to the General Assembly, or sharing costs among all counties, or identifying other funding streams that can be used, or some combination.

ODJFS has shared a few preliminary ideas about what a statistically valid and fair approach for sharing food stamp sanctions might look like. ODJFS also agreed that sharing responsibility is a responsible approach, but felt the actual percentage would depend upon the situation. No decisions were made at the meeting. CCAO will keep members apprised and ask for input on some approaches being discussed.

ODJFS did convey that they have generally been very pleased with how your CDJFS directors have been working toward improving food stamp performance. It is our mutual goal to keep the discussions about how to share sanctions in the hypothetical realm.

### **LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES**

#### LEGISLATIVE RACES

*Unofficial Results Shows 53-46 Republican Majority for Ohio House & 21-12 Republican Majority in Ohio Senate Next Year*

The wave of change is being felt through the Ohio Legislature. Unofficial results show Ohio House Democrats with a net gain of 7 seats and Ohio Senate Democrats picking up 1 seat.

In the House, four incumbent Republicans and one Democrat lost their election, and Democrats gained what appears to be at least four seats. Unofficial results showed the following:

--24<sup>th</sup> House District: Rep. Geoff Smith (R-Upper Arlington) lost to Democrat Ted Celeste in suburban Franklin County.

--57<sup>th</sup> House District: Rep. Earl Martin (R-Avon Lake) lost to Democrat Matt Lundy in Lorain County.

--58<sup>th</sup> House District: Appointed Rep. Dan White (R-Norwalk) lost to Democrat Matthew Barrett in the district encompassing all of Huron County and parts of Lorain and Seneca counties.

--63<sup>rd</sup> House District: Rep. Timothy Cassell (D-Madison), a one-term lawmaker whose reelection bid was clouded by a DUI conviction, lost to Republican Carol-Ann Schindel in eastern Lake County.

--64<sup>th</sup> House District: Rep. Randy Law (R-Warren) lost the Trumbull County seat he held for one term to Democrat Tom Letson.

Democrats took over the 91<sup>st</sup> House District, where Dan Dodd held off Republican William Hayes in the south-central Ohio turf vacated by Rep. Ron Hood (R-Ashville), who lost a primary bid for the state Senate.

The minority party also picked up the 1<sup>st</sup> House District that opened up with Rep. Chuck Blasdel's (E. Liverpool) try for a congressional seat, and the 43<sup>rd</sup> House District left open by Rep. Mary Taylor (R-Green), who ran for state auditor.

Democrat Linda Bolon won in Columbiana County's 1<sup>st</sup> District race against Republican Jim Hoppel (Columbiana County Commissioner), according to unofficial results. Democrat Stephen Dyer won over Republican Christine Croce in the 43<sup>rd</sup> District that covers parts of Portage and Summit counties.

On Wednesday, it appeared that Democrat Jennifer Brady won over Republican Edward Herman in a seat being vacated by Rep. Sally Conway Kilbane of Rocky River.

In the Ohio Senate 13<sup>th</sup> District, Democrat Sue Morano defeated longtime State Board of Education member Martha Wise, for the seat that will be vacated by Senator Jeffrey Armbruster (North Ridgeville).

More new faces will result due to the successful campaigns of various lawmakers to higher office.

The Senate Republic Caucus will have to replace Senator Jim Jordan (R-Urbana) who won election to the 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. Democrats will have to replace Senator Marc Dann (D-Liberty Township), who won the Ohio Attorney General's Office, and Senator Charlie Wilson (D-St. Clairsville), who won the 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

Republicans have controlled the Ohio Senate since 1985 and the Ohio House since 1995. They held a 22-11 majority in the upper chamber and a 60-39 majority in the lower heading into Tuesday.

### LAMEDUCK SESSION TO KICK OFF

Lameduck Session is anticipated to be very busy and eventful as possibly thirty-some Ohio state lawmakers bid farewell and state leaders prepare for the Administration to change party hands.

With Election Day past, lawmakers are expected to take up a capital budget bill and at least a couple initiatives promoted by the Taft Administration; these include high school curriculum requirements and enabling legislation for the Great Lakes Compact. Lawmakers leaving due to term limits, loss of election, or moving on to another office will be pushing to finish their bills prior to departure. Moreover, there may be a desire by some lawmakers to address certain matters prior to Democrats gaining control of the Governor's office and most other statewide offices, which are currently all occupied by Republicans.

Lawmakers have been put on notice to possibly be available the week between Christmas and New Years due to the heavy workload anticipated.

Further highlights of lameduck action items and various county initiatives CCAO is seeking will be in the Statehouse Report, which returns the week of November 16<sup>th</sup>.

If you have questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the CCAO Policy Staff at (614) 221-5627.



## **PUBLICATIONS**

### NEW GUIDE ON ENERGIZING AN ENTREPRENEURIAL ECONOMY AVAILABLE

With support from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, NACo recently partnered with the Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI) Center for Rural Entrepreneurship to produce *Energizing an Entrepreneurial Economy: A Guide for County Leaders*. The guide provides insights and examples from counties that are achieving dynamic and successful economic development through entrepreneurship. To access the guide, please visit [www.naco.org](http://www.naco.org) and click on "Advanced Search," and then, type "Guide for County Leaders." (Contact: Erik Johnston at (202) 942-4246 or [ejohnston@naco.org](mailto:ejohnston@naco.org))

### TWO NEW COUNTY WATER QUALITY ISSUE BRIEFS AVAILABLE

NACo recently released two issue briefs published with support from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The new issue briefs are *Using GIS Tools to Link Land Use Decisions to Water Resource Protection: Commonly Used Tools Available to Counties and County Best Practices* and *Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) A Watershed Planning Tool for Counties*. The issue briefs are available on NACo's Web site at [www.naco.org/techassistance](http://www.naco.org/techassistance) under "Water Quality." (Contact: Erik Johnston at 202-942-4246 or [ejohnston@naco.org](mailto:ejohnston@naco.org))

## **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS**

### INCLUDING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN EMERGENCY PLANNING

A workshop on "Including People with Disabilities in Emergency Planning" is scheduled for December 7, 2006 at Columbus State Community College, Center for Workplace Development, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Center, 315 Cleveland Avenue, Columbus. The workshop is intended for individuals planning prior to an incident, first responders, shelter staff and people

with disabilities.

### **December 7, 2006 - 9 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Presentation by Hilary Styron, director for the National Organization on Disability's Emergency Preparedness Initiative.

### **December 7, 2006 - 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.**

Tabletop exercise that involves first responders and people with functional needs.

Fee: No charge, but pre-registration is required. Call ( 6 1 4 ) 2 8 7 - 5 9 9 7 . Visit [www.olrs.ohio.gov/ASP/CSCCEM.asp](http://www.olrs.ohio.gov/ASP/CSCCEM.asp) for more information.

## **CLASSIFIEDS**

### PLANS EXAMINER

The Wood County Building Inspection Department is accepting applications for a full time Plans Examiner to review construction blueprints and sites to ensure compliance with the Ohio Building Code and Wood County Residential Building Code.

Minimum Qualifications: Ohio Registered Professional Engineer or Architect with five years Ohio Building Code experience. Requires a valid Ohio Driver's License. Salary: Based on Qualifications (FLSA Exempt)

Classification specifications and applications are available on the County's website, [www.co.wood.oh.us](http://www.co.wood.oh.us), or visit the Wood County Building Inspection Department, Third Floor, County Office Building, One Courthouse Square, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Application Deadline: **November 17, 2006 at 4:30 p.m.** EOE.

### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Mahoning County Convention & Visitors Bureau is hiring a executive director. Minimum requirements: Bachelor's degree and/or 3-5 years of experience in marketing and public relations. Proven success in

developing strong working relationship with diverse constituencies and good track record in financial management.. Preferred significant experience in the destination-marketing field. Salary commensurate with experience and qualifications, within a range of, \$40 – \$60,000.00... Filing deadline: No later than **4:30 p.m. November 27, 2006** to Mahoning County Human Resources office, 21 W. Boardman Street. (330) 740-2130 EXT: 7112 or [www.mahoningcountyoh.gov](http://www.mahoningcountyoh.gov).

#### **CLASSIFIED ADS**

CCAO publishes the County Information and Data Service (CIDS) weekly. Classified ads will be published free of charge as a service to counties. Ads will run for two weeks if space is available. Please provide faxed or e-mailed copy of the classified ad by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday of each week. Transmit the copy to Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, via fax at (614) 221-6986 or e-mail [mjneiman@ccao.org](mailto:mjneiman@ccao.org).

#### ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Applications are being accepted until 4:30 p.m. on December 1, 2006, for the position of Assistant Director at the Wood County Child Support Enforcement Agency.

Ideal candidates will possess a Juris Doctorate licensed to practice in the state of Ohio supplemented by three years experience that includes supervisory and related administrative work. Equivalent experience will be considered. Position requires a valid Ohio driver's license or transportation as needed to meet agency needs for court appearances, training, and public relations purposes.

This position is full-time and directs the activities of the legal division of the agency, supervises and assists with all court activities for the agency, and conducts administrative hearings. The position also assumes the responsibilities of the Director in his/her absents.

Salary: Pay Grade 13 -- \$51,938.78 Minimum (FLSA Professional Exemption)

Please respond with a letter of interest, resume and Wood County Application.

Position information and applications are available at the Wood County CSEA 1940 East Gypsy Lane Road, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402 or by visiting the County's website at [www.co.wood.oh.us](http://www.co.wood.oh.us). EOE.

