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FEBRUARY 25, 2010	CCAO REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING, PUMP HOUSE CENTER FOR THE ARTS, ROSS COUNTY (CHILLICOTHE)
FEBRUARY 25, 2010	CCAO REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING, RIVER OAKS GOLF CLUB, CRAWFORD COUNTY (BUCYRUS)
FEB. 27–MARCH 1, 2011	CCAO COMMISSIONERS TRAINING SEMINAR, DEER CREEK CONFERENCE CENTER, PICKAWAY COUNTY (MT. STERLING)
MARCH 5-9, 2011	NACo LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE, MARRIOTT WARDMAN PARK HOTEL, WASHINGTON, D.C.

- MARCH 9, 2011** **OHIO CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION BREAKFAST, RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, ROOM B-340, WASHINGTON, D.C.**
- MARCH 14, 2010** **CCAO REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING, MARY YODERS, GEAUGA COUNTY (MIDDLEFIELD)**
- MARCH 16, 2010** **OHIO COUNCIL OF COUNTY OFFICIALS SEMINAR & LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON, STATEHOUSE ATRIUM, COLUMBUS**
- APRIL 2011** **NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH**

ASSOCIATION NEWS

DHUME ELECTED 2011 CCAO PRESIDENT

CCAO President Paula Brooks (Franklin) convened the 130th CCAO Annual Business Meeting on Monday, December 6 during a luncheon at the CCAO/CEAO Annual Winter Conference held in Columbus. The following commissioners were elected to serve in 2011:

CCAO OFFICERS

- President-David Dhume, Madison County Commissioner
- 1st Vice President-Deborah Lieberman, Montgomery County Commissioner
- 2nd Vice President-Tim Brown, Wood County Commissioner
- Secretary-Doug Corcoran, Ross County Commissioner
- Treasurer-Ben Nutter, Seneca County Commissioner

The following past presidents have elected to automatically serve on the Board of Directors: Bob Corbett (Champaign), Lenny Eliason (Athens), Olen Jackson (Morrow), Kerry Metzger (Tuscarawas), Daniel Troy (Lake), and Paula Brooks (Franklin).

Seven commissioners were elected to a two year term on the Board: Sam Bassitt (Allen), Mike Crabtree (Scioto), Kim Edwards (Ashland), Peter Ferguson (Stark), Pete Gerken (Lucas), Ed Humphrey (Clermont), and Mike Reed (Morgan). Ronald Wyss (Hardin) was elected to fill the unexpired term of Deborah Lieberman (Montgomery) who was elected to serve as CCAO 1st Vice President.

Finally, the 2011 President will make nine more appointments to the CCAO Board for next year. Appointments will be announced in CIDS when they are confirmed by the Board of Directors. The CCAO Nominating Committee wishes to thank all members who submitted their names for consideration. The nomination process was difficult because 30 highly qualified and motivated individuals expressed interest in serving on the Board.

2ND WEDNESDAY SEMINAR SERIES: NEW OPTIONS FOR SALE OF COUNTY PROPERTY & PURCHASE OF COUNTY GOODS & SERVICES

Start the new year by attending “New Options for Sale of County Property & Purchase of County Goods & Services” – the first of CCAO’s 2nd Wednesday Seminar Series to be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2011. The 2nd Wednesday Seminar Series will be held at the CCAO Offices, 209 East State Street, in Columbus.

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the internet, how to purchase goods and service by reverse auction, and how to purchase goods and services through a request for proposal (RFP) process. Purchasing professionals will provide detailed information regarding the establishment of internet auction and reverse auction programs, and the use of RFP's.

The seminar will begin sharply at 9:30 a.m. and will conclude promptly at 12:30 p.m. Registrations will be accepted only by e-mail. Seminar information is posted on our website at www.ccao.org Coffee will be served during the morning and lunch will be on your own. Best of all, no registration fee will be charged! To register, contact Janet Erwin, CCAO Administrative Assistant, at jerwin@ccao.org

COMMISSIONERS' TRAINING SEMINAR FOR NEW & VETERAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Save the date for the "Commissioners Training Seminar for New & Veteran County Commissioners" to be held February 27 to March 1, 2011 at Deer Creek Resort & Conference Center, 2230 State Park Road #20 in Mt. Sterling. Join new & veteran colleagues to learn about county government and your responsibilities as county officials. This seminar is hosted by CCAO.

Room rate: \$85 single/double. Call Deer Creek at (740) 869-2020 for room reservations. Sessions begin late afternoon on February 27 and end at noon on March 1. Registration materials to follow. A flyer is attached to this issue of CIDS. For more information, contact Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979 or mjneiman@ccao.org.

CCAO REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE BRIEFINGS

CCAO will again be hosting Regional Legislative Briefings for the members of the new 129th General Assembly. The purpose of the meetings is to provide legislators and county commissioners with an opportunity to discuss legislative issues affecting county government on a regional basis. The Briefings are organized by State Senate Districts and the House Districts contained within them. Invitations to the members of the General Assembly will be sent by CCAO within the week but members are encouraged to contact your legislators to personally invite them to your Regional Legislative Briefing. Listed below are the briefings that we have set up, more dates and times will follow:

- **January 24** – Senate District 1 – Red Pig Inn, Ottawa, 9:00 a.m.
- **January 24** – Senate Districts 2 and 11 – Location pending, 11:30 a.m.
- **January 28** – Senate Districts 30, 32, and 33 – Café 422, Warren, 11:30 a.m.
- **January 31** – Senate Districts 13 and 22 – Berry's Restaurant, Norwalk, 11:30 a.m.
- **February 4** – Senate Districts 20 and 31 – Francis Family Restaurant, Cambridge, 11:30 a.m.
- **February 7** – Senate Districts 4, 5, 6, 10, and 12 – Holiday Inn, Englewood, 11:30 a.m.
- **February 25** – Senate Districts 14 and 17 – Pump House Center for the Arts, Chillicothe, 11:30 a.m.
- **February 25** – Senate Districts 19 and 26 – River Oaks Golf Club, Bucyrus, 11:30 a.m.
- **March 14** – Senate Districts 18, 27, 28, and 29 – Mary Yoders, Middlefield, 11:30 a.m.
- **TBA** – Senate Districts 7, 8, and 9 (Hamilton County)
- **TBA** – Senate Districts 21, 23, 24, and 25 (Cuyahoga County)
- **TBA** – Senate Districts 2, 15, and 16 (Franklin County)

Commissioners will be mailed a packet of information and a registration form next week. For more information please contact John Leutz, CCAO Senior Policy Analyst, at (614) 220-7994, (888) 757-1904 or jleutz@ccao.org.

FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYER EMPLOYEE COOPERATION ACT CLOTURE VOTE FAILS

Senator Harry Reid reintroduced the Public Safety Employer- Employee Cooperation Act (S. 3991) on November 30. This week, the Senate vote to file cloture on the bill failed 55-43. The bill mandates that state and local governments enter into collective bargaining agreements with their public safety employees and provides minimum collective bargaining standards for state and local police, firefighters and emergency medical technicians personnel. All states may be impacted including those that already have collective bargaining agreements, because the legislation provides no exemption for these states. The legislation has serious fiscal and administrative implications on counties because no funding is provided for state or local implementation. For more information, contact Deseree Gardner, NACo Associate Legislative Director, at (202) 942-4204 or dgardner@naco.org

CONGRESS PASSES ONE-YEAR TANF EXTENSION

On November 30th, the House of Representatives extended the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant (TANF) through September 30, 2011 by a vote of 256-152. The provision, which was included in the Claims Restoration Act (H.R. 4783), passed the Senate by unanimous consent November 19.

In addition to the one-year extension, Congress added two new reporting requirements. They are information on individuals engaged in activities that do not count as work, and state expenditures that fall under the category of other services and benefits, which includes state-only funds. The reporting language has a very quick first deadline of March 31, 2011, which is of concern to TANF program directors. The second report is due to the Department by June 30. Finally, the new language also carries a four percent penalty for failure to report, but the penalty is rescinded if the first report is filed by June 15 and the second one by September 15. The Secretary has limited leeway in applying a reasonable cause exception in the case of a one-time unexpected event. For more information, contact Marilina Sanz, NACo Associate Legislative Director at (202) 942-4260 or msanz@naco.org

NACo ACTIVITIES

2011 ACHIEVEMENT AWARD PROGRAM

Begun in 1970, the annual Achievement Award Program is a non-competitive awards program that recognizes innovative county government programs. Awards are given in a number of program categories such as Arts and Historic Preservation; Children and Youth; Civic Education and Public Information; Community/Economic Development, County Administration and Management; Court Administration and Management; Criminal Justice and Public Safety, Emergency Management and Response; Employment and Training (for county residents); Environmental Protection and Energy; Financial Management; Health; Human Services; Information Technology; Libraries; Parks and Recreation; Personnel Management, Employee Training and Employee Benefits (for county employees); Planning; Risk Management; Transportation; and Volunteers.

Please see the Achievement Award Application instructions for detailed information. All applications and materials must be postmarked by February 11, 2011. When ready to apply, please complete the online application form. For more information, contact Kathryn Murphy, Research Associate, NACo Research Division, (202) 661-8806 or kmurphy@naco.org.

NACo PRESCRIPTION DRUG CARD PROGRAM SAVES OHIO COUNTIES \$4.8 MILLION

Since joining the NACo Prescription Drug Card Program in October 2005, 28 Ohio counties have saved

\$4,817,419. The NACo Prescription Drug Discount Card program was designed for uninsured and underinsured county residents. Through a partnership with Caremark, this simple discount card can save an average of 22 percent off the full retail cost of prescription medication. Here are the key program factors:

- It is easy to participate.
- There are no costs.
- Everyone is eligible. Even pet and livestock prescription drugs are covered!
- Consumers always receive the lowest retail price.
- Your county must be a NACo member to participate!

See the NACo Prescription Drug Card Program flyer attached to this issue of CIDS. For questions or to enroll in the program, please contact Andrew Goldschmidt, NACo Director of Membership Marketing at (202) 942-4221 or agoldschmidt@naco.org or Ilene Manster, Membership Coordinator, (202) 942-4291 or imanster@naco.org

SEMINARS & WEBINARS

2011 NACo LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE – REGISTRATION OPENED NOVEMBER 30

Online registration opened Tuesday, November 30 for NACo's 2011 Legislative Conference. The Conference will take place at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C. from March 5 – 9, 2011.

Mark your calendars for the **Ohio Congressional Delegation Breakfast** hosted by CCAO on Wednesday, **March 9** at 8:00 a.m. in the **Rayburn House Office Building – Room B-340**. Watch future issues of CIDS and www.ccao.org for more information about the breakfast.

UNSOLICITED ADVICE FOR OHIO'S POLICYMAKERS

OSU's Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics and OSU Extension invite you to a free webinar on "Unsolicited (Budgeting) Advise for Ohio's Policymakers" on Thursday, December 16, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

Ohio has faced economic challenges since the 1960s. Slow economic growth and few economic opportunities have encouraged the young, highly skilled, and entrepreneurs to move to greener pastures. This produces pressures on our state and local governments to provide fewer services or raise taxes, reinforcing these trends. Mark D. Partridge, Swank Professor in Rural-Urban Policy at The Ohio State University, will review the state's economic problems and offer some policy suggestions aimed at turning around Ohio's economic climate. The webinar will include a discussion of particular issues facing Ohio's local communities.

The first 500 people who respond are invited to join the Web seminar and discussion using WebEx by following directions below. If you have questions, email econograms@osu.edu.

Event number: 661 683 515

Event password: Policy

Event address for attendees: <https://osuevents.webex.com/osuevents/onstage/g.php?d=661683515&t=a>

To join this **online event**:

1) Go to <https://osuevents.webex.com/osuevents/onstage/g.php?d=661683515&t=a> and 2) Enter Name, email address and event password (Policy). Then click "Join Now."

Teleconference information

1) To receive a call back, provide your phone number when you join the event, or call the number below and enter the access code; 2) Call-in toll-free number (US/Canada): 1-877-669-3239; 3) Call-in toll number (US/Canada): +1-408-600-3600; 4) Global call-in numbers: <https://osuevents.webex.com/osuevents/globalcallin.php?serviceType=EC&ED=96694507&tollFree=1> and 5) Toll-free dialing restrictions: http://www.webex.com/pdf/tollfree_restrictions.pdf. Access code: 661 683 515

CIVIL SERVICE CONFERENCE – JANUARY 12

The State Employment Relations Board (SERB) and State Personnel Board of Review (SPBR) will hold a conference on the “Jurisdiction & Procedures of the Ohio State Personnel Board of Review” on Wednesday, January 12, 2011. The one-day seminar will be held at the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Auditorium, 1980 West Broad Street, in Columbus.

Conference topics: The Basics – SPBR Jurisdiction, Elements of a Class Plan, Classified V. Unclassified, Home Rule v. Statutory System, Residency, Political Activities; Job Retention After a New Administration has been elected; ABC’s of Conducting an effective Administrative Hearing; Creative ways to manage a workforce in a difficult economy within the Civil Service Laws.

Registration fee: \$150 (includes conference materials). Lunch is on your own. For more information, contact SPBR Conference, 65 East State Street – Floor 12, Columbus, OH 43215-4213, (614) 466-2963 or fax (614) 466-3074 or <http://pbr.ohio.gov/>

OCCO SEMINAR & LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON – MARCH 16

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the Ohio Council of County Officials (OCCO) Seminar & Luncheon on March 16, 2011 in the Statehouse Atrium in Columbus. An Ethics Education Seminar will be held at 10:00 a.m. followed by a legislative luncheon at noon. Meet with your Senator or Representative while you are in Columbus. Invite them to sit with you at the luncheon. Registration materials will be mailed in January 2011. For more information, contact Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979 or mjneiman@ccao.org

CLASSIFIEDS

DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Montgomery County is seeking a Director of Environmental Services. The selected individual will work at the will of the County Administrator.

The successful candidate must have a Bachelor’s degree in Engineering (Mechanical, Chemical, Civil, etc.) or a related field and must be a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Ohio. A Master’s degree in Public Administration, Business, Engineering or a related field is desirable. The ideal candidate is currently serving or has previously held a top executive position of a publicly funded comparable water, sewer and solid waste organization or as the executive in a similar organization or five years in a senior or leadership management position. The person chosen shall have be a consensus builder, a team player with expertise on the delivery of water, sewer and solid waste.

In addition, the ideal candidate should have knowledge and executive level experience in the broad areas of: water distribution; wastewater collection; water reclamation; engineering; solid waste services; and customer and support services such as environmental laboratory testing, maintenance, information technology and financial services.

The Director of Environmental Services shall:

- Plan, direct and coordinate all operations of the department;
- Manage the department's strategic planning activities and budget development;
- Serve as the county's representative with all intergovernmental agencies;
- Serve as the county's key contact for interaction regarding water, sewer and solid waste with representatives of local jurisdictions, private businesses, developers, contractors; and
- Administer the development and implementation of policies and procedures to ensure compliance with all applicable city, state, and federal statutes.

The starting salary for Director of Environmental Services will be market competitive, depending on the experience, qualifications and salaried history of the selected individual. The expected starting salary will be in the range of \$102,148 to \$153,212. In addition, Montgomery County expects to provide an excellent fringe benefit package. Applications accepted until the position is filled. Apply at www.mcoho.org "Employment" link. EOE.

WELLNESS COORDINATOR

The County Employee Benefits Consortium (CEBCO) seeks a Wellness Coordinator. Job responsibilities: Research, create and implement wellness programs for CEBCO counties. Compile and analyze medical data relevant to a wellness program. Design employee communication materials appropriate to county wellness programs. Develop and deliver health and wellness educational programs. Assist counties in creating their own programs relevant to their population.

Qualifications: College Degree in related field. 3 - 5 years experience in the Health and Wellness area. Valid Ohio Driver's License and ability to meet insurance requirements. Deadline date: **December 17, 2010**. Submit resumes to Health and Wellness Coordinator at well@ccao.org. EOE.

SANITARY ENGINEER / DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES

Portage County seeks a sanitary engineer/director of water resources to be responsible for overseeing all operations, maintenance, repair and construction improvements of the department which consists of three water plants, eleven wastewater plants, and approximately fifty employees. Plans and organizes departmental goals and objectives. Oversees development and implementation of budget and financial planning. Implements programs requiring multi-year time periods. Reviews facility plans for water and sewage improvements; submits to Board of Commissioners and to OHIO EPA for approval; oversees construction of all projects.

Minimum qualifications: Bachelor's degree in mechanical, chemical, environmental or civil engineering, water resources, or related field, with preferably a Master's degree in Public Administration, Business or Engineering or a related field. Five years of progressively responsible and significant experience in a publicly funded comparable water and sewer organization, including at least three years of management and supervisory experience in a union environment. Must possess a valid State of Ohio Professional Engineer's license and a valid Ohio driver's license.

Salary range: \$ 76,482 - \$91,790. Applications may be picked up – 6th Floor of the Administration Building or download a county application on-line at www.portage.oh.us. Applications accepted until position is filled. Submit a completed county application form with cover letter to: Portage County Human Resources, 449 S. Meridian Street, 6th Floor, Ravenna, OH 44266. EOE.



Second Wednesday's

January 12, 2011

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

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PRESENTERS

Brad Cole, Managing Director of Research, County Commissioners Association of Ohio
Marty Maloney, Sales Representative—Midwest Region, GovDeals
Roy Sigriz, Director of Purchasing & Central Services, Montgomery County Commissioners
Chris Johnson, Business Manager, E-Bridge
Karl Kuespert, Purchasing Director, Franklin County

AGENDA—9:30-12:30

9:30 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions
9:40 a.m.	GovDeals Overview
10:10 a.m.	Revenue Generation Opportunities for Counties through GovDeals
10:40 a.m.	Increase Competition, Efficiency, and Market Value through Reverse Auction
11:10 a.m.	Negotiated Agreements: Biggest Bang for Your Buck
11:40 a.m.	Questions & Answers
12:30 p.m.	Adjourn

LOCATION

All Second Wednesday's Seminars will be held in the Board Room at the CCAO offices, 209 East State Street, Columbus 43215.

HOW TO REGISTER

Register for this FREE program by email only to Janet Erwin at jerwin@ccao.org. Please include the name and title of those attending and the county, agency or company they represent. Coffee will be served at 9:00 a.m., the program begins at 9:30 a.m. and concludes promptly at 12:30 p.m., and lunch is on your own after the program.

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