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DECEMBER 8-10, 2013	CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE, GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER, COLUMBUS (HEADQUARTERS HOTEL: HYATT REGENCY)

ASSOCIATION NEWS

SUZANNE DULANEY: CCAO'S NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Suzanne Dulaney will become CCAO's new Executive Director on August 5. The transition process began on July 29 with Suzanne experiencing a packed week of briefings by CCAO's management team and other critical staff. Suzanne's selection as CCAO's new leader is a homecoming of sorts. Some commissioners and county staff members may remember Suzanne from when she was a CCAO Senior Policy Analyst from 1999 to 2006.



After leaving CCAO, she served as the Associate CEO for the Ohio Association of County Behavioral Health Authorities where she was in charge of legal and legislative affairs.

“It was a busy week of learning and re-familiarizing myself to the many programs and services that CCAO provides to its members and to the internal operations of CCAO,” Suzanne commented. “I am impressed with the volume and quality of work being done and the incredible commitment and passion of the staff for the work they do. I am excited about the opportunity to work with county commissioners, county executives and council members and staff to help county government make Ohio a better place to live and work.”

To those of you that do not know about Suzanne’s background, she obtained her law degree with a concentration in governmental affairs from Capital University and her undergraduate degree in political science from Miami University. She comes to us with 18 years of experience working with the Ohio General Assembly and 14 years working in non-profit trade associations.

Suzanne is a life-long resident of Ohio. She is a native of Butler County, where her parents still reside. Suzanne currently lives in Delaware County with her husband, Jeff Dulaney. Jeff has a PhD in physics and is the President, CEO, and Founder of LSP Technologies, Inc., a company in Franklin County that specializes in the development and use of high-energy laser systems to improve the safety and durability of aircraft.

Suzanne succeeds Larry Long who retired on Friday after nearly 40 years of service to CCAO. Suzanne can be reached at (614) 220-7977 (direct), (888) 757-1904 (toll free), 614-312-9892 (cell) or sdulaney@ccao.org

CCAO NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The CCAO Board of Directors approved the appointment of a five member Nominating Committee at its July special meeting. The Committee will be chaired by Deborah Lieberman, Montgomery County Commissioner. Other members include:

1. Bob Corbett, Champaign County Commissioner
2. David Dhume, Madison County Commissioner
3. Kerry Metzger, Tuscarawas County Commissioner
4. Daniel Troy, Lake County Commissioner

It is the responsibility of the Committee to recommend a slate of officers and board members to be elected at the Annual Business Meeting on Monday, December 9 during the CCAO/CEAO Winter Conference. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor. The Committee will be nominating candidates for the offices of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. In addition, eight members will be nominated to serve on the Board of Directors for two-year terms. The Committee will also fill any vacancies where members elected to a two-year term will not be returning to office or where a member forfeits office for non-attendance.

The Committee is also governed by a Board resolution adopted in 2011 that limits the number of consecutive years a person can serve as either Treasurer (not more than three consecutive years) or Secretary (not more than one consecutive year). Also, persons serving in the offices of Treasurer and Secretary must be of different political parties. In order to be eligible to be nominated as an officer, an individual must be a current or previous Board member.

The eight members whose terms on the Board expire this year include: Tony Anderson, Fayette County Commissioner; C. Ellen Connally, Cuyahoga County Council Member; Ginny Favede, Belmont County Commissioner; Tommie Jo Marsilio, Portage County Commissioner; Joe Moroski, Ashtabula County Commissioner; Otto Nicely, Defiance County Commissioner; Ann Obrecht, Wayne County Commissioner; and Jeremy Shaffer, Highland County Commissioner.

The nine members appointed by President Gary Lee whose one year term to the Board expires at the end of this year include: Steve Arndt, Ottawa County Commissioner; Janet Weir Creighton, Stark County Commissioner; Kim Edwards, Ashland County Commissioner; Edward FitzGerald, Cuyahoga County Executive; David Hartley, Clark County Commissioner; Greg Hartmann, Hamilton County Commissioner; Ted Kalo, Lorain County Commissioner; John Love, Putnam County Commissioner; and Carol Rimedio-Righetti, Mahoning County Commissioner.

The CCAO Bylaws also provides a Board seat to the six most recent past presidents who still hold office. In 2014 this includes: Gary Lee, Union County Commissioner; Deborah Lieberman, Montgomery County Commissioner; David Dhume, Madison County Commissioner; Paula Brooks, Franklin County Commissioner; Kerry Metzger, Tuscarawas County Commissioner; and Daniel Troy, Lake County Commissioner.

The Committee must make its recommendations no later than November 15. The report will then be published in the County Information and Data Service and an individual copy of the report will be sent to each commissioner.

On September 20, CCAO will send to all county commissioners, council members and executives an application form to express interest to become an officer or a member of the CCAO Board.

A CCAO Nominating Candidate Questionnaire will also be included. Both forms must be returned not later than November 1 to the committee chair: Deborah Lieberman, Montgomery County Commissioner, P.O. Box 972, 451 West Third Street, Dayton, OH 45422-1110, or you may email your form to ObererT@mcoho.org. In addition, mail a copy to CCAO, 209 E. State Street, Columbus, OH 43215, in an envelope marked: NOMINATING COMMITTEE – ATTENTION: KATHY DILLON or you may email your form to kathydillon@ccao.org

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Deborah Lieberman at (937) 225-4690 or CCAO Executive Director Suzanne Dulaney at (614) 221-5627.

VOTING PROCEDURES FOR ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

In preparation for the Annual Business Meeting, counties are reminded that the CCAO Bylaws require each member county to designate an Official Representative and Alternate when voting at the Annual Meeting of the Association.

The designation of the Official Representative and Alternate for a county organized under the statutory form of county government is by resolution of the board of county commissioners. In the case of a county organized as a charter county, the elected executive designates, by a letter signed by the executive, the Official Representative and an Alternate. Please note in designating the Official Representative and Alternate, a member county may only name a county commissioner, elected executive, or a member of county council.

A memo explaining the process along with a sample Designation of Official Representative and Alternate Resolution and a sample letter for County Executives can be found on the Home (front) Page of the CCAO Website at www.ccao.org. If you have not already done so, please send a copy of your resolution or letter designating your Official Representative and Alternate to Kathy Dillon, CCAO, 209 East State Street,

Columbus, Ohio 43215 or at kathydillon@ccao.org so that we may maintain a record of the names in our files for voting purposes. Should you have any questions or to confirm that we have received a copy of your resolution or letter, please contact Kathy Dillon, CCAO Office Manager and Boards' Liaison, at (614) 220-7998, (888) 757-1904 or at kathydillon@ccao.org

HEALTH INSURANCE HANDBOOK CHAPTER REVISED

This week, Chapter 67 – Health Insurance of the *County Commissioners Handbook* was published on the CCAO website. This Chapter will discuss some of the options available to counties to provide health benefits to employees. Some provisions in this Chapter become effective on September 29, 2013. Chapter 67 can be found on the CCAO website at www.ccao.org. Click on the Handbook button on the first page or [click here](#) for a direct link to the chapter. If you have any questions about the chapter, contact Doug Foust, CCAO Managing Director of Health and Wellness, at (614) 220-7981, (888) 757-1904 or bcole@ccao.org

CCAConnect: A COMMUNICATION TOOL FOR COUNTIES

Last week, CCAO rolled out CCAConnect which is a new communication tool for county commissioners, elected county executives and county council members to reach out to peers for assistance with issues!



What is CCAConnect? CCAConnect is a group email network for county commissioners, elected county executives and county council members. The purpose of the network is to get answers to your questions; learn how other counties deal with current issues, problems or concerns; and, to encourage collaboration.

Who can use CCAConnect? CCAConnect is for county commissioners, elected county executives and county council members.

How do I participate? CCAConnect is a free subscription-based service. Once you are subscribed, you can email your questions, comments and answers by simply sending an email message to CCAConnect. Your email message will be instantly distributed to the other subscribers who will receive your message in their email inbox. To respond, subscribers need only reply to the email and all subscribed members will see the response. It's that simple.

How do I start using CCAConnect? [Click here](#) for more information

Is there a way to access original posts and responses to a particular topic or subject that took place in the past? Every message posted and sent via CCAConnect will be archived by year and searchable by key words. (Example: Year - 2013, key word - general fund.)

If you have any questions about CCAConnect, please contact Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979, (888) 757-1904 or mjneiman@ccao.org

LAST CEBCO ACA TRAINING SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 12

CEBCO, in cooperation with the law firm of Fishel Hass Kim Albrecht LLC, has been presenting training programs throughout Ohio to assist county commissioners and their support staff with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) compliance. The ACA places many new responsibilities on county administration as health plan sponsors, and what you don't know – when it comes to the ACA – CAN hurt you. All those nagging questions about what must be offered, to whom, and at what cost as well as the new taxes and reporting requirements

will be addressed by Marc Fishel. Participants will receive a summary of the key responsibilities incumbent upon counties and actionable ideas to remain compliant with the new regulations.

The final CEBCO ACA Training will be held at 10:30 a.m. on August 12 at the CCAO Offices, 209 E. State Street, in Columbus. Lunch will be provided, followed by a Q&A lunch. This FREE training is open to all counties. [Register and read more...](#)

THE BASICS OF THE PREVAILING WAGE LAW WEBINAR - AUGUST 14

CCAO is pleased to offer a one-hour “The Basics of the Prevailing Wage Law” webinar on August 14, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. Speakers from the Ohio Department of Commerce and the Ohio Attorney General’s office address the following issues and questions and answer questions from county officials who will be participating in the webinar.

- What are prevailing wages?
- What are prevailing wage thresholds for new construction and reconstruction?
- What are public authority responsibilities?
- What are the responsibilities of the prevailing wage coordinator?
- What are the requirements for certified payroll reports?
- What are contractor responsibilities and requirements?

To register for this exceptional educational opportunity, please click on this link: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/332878902>. [Click here](#) for more webinar information. If for any reason you experience difficulty in connecting to the link above and you wish to register for the webinar, please email Amanda Jones, CCAO Program Assistant, at ajones@ccao.org and provide her with your email address. Space is limited for this webinar, so register early. If you have questions regarding registering for the webinar, please contact Amanda at the email address listed above. For additional information regarding the topic for this webinar, please contact Brad Cole, CCAO Managing Director of Research, at bcole@ccao.org

CCAO BUDGET BRIEFINGS/OSU EXTENSION UPDATES SCHEDULED THIS FALL

The state operating budget bill traditionally impacts counties more than any other legislation enacted during a General Assembly, and this year was no different. HB 59 provides funding to Ohio’s counties and, moreover, enacts a substantial tax reform package and many other policy provisions. Thus, CCAO will offer regional briefings this fall to discuss items impacting county government contained in HB 59 and provide suggestions on how counties can implement certain provisions.

OSU Extension will join CCAO for these meetings. Dean Bruce McPheron will be there to meet everyone and share his vision for the future of the College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. OSU Extension Director Keith Smith will share some changes in the organization’s structure designed to increase effectiveness and better serve counties.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend one of the five CCAO Budget Briefings/OSU Extension Updates for county commissioners, chief staff members and OSU Extension that will be held this fall. The same briefing will be held in each location. The session begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided. There is no charge to attend.

DATES AND LOCATIONS

October 3 **Franklin County (Columbus)**
The Ohio 4-H Center, 2201 Fred Taylor Drive, Columbus

- October 9 **Hocking County (Logan)**
Olde Dutch Restaurant, 12791 State Route 664 S, Logan

- October 15 **Wayne County (Wooster)**
Shisler Conference Center, 1680 Madison Ave, Wooster

- October 30 **Warren County (Lebanon)**
Warren County Administration Building, 406 Justice Dr., Lebanon

- November 6 **Wood County (Bowling Green)**
Commissioners Meeting Room, One Courthouse Square, County Administration Building,
Bowling Green

Registration information will be distributed next month.

STATE ACTIVITIES

NEW THREE-YEAR AND PERMANENT DOG REGISTRATIONS; PASS RESOLUTION BY AUGUST 31

As you are likely aware, the recently passed state budget bill (HB 59) included language that will allow individuals to register a dog for a period of one-year, three-years, or register the dog permanently rather than requiring an annual registration as in current law. [County Advisory Bulletin 2013-02, "New Three-Year and Permanent Dog Registrations"](#) was published this week to explain these new options and to guide counties on implementing the changes. In particular, boards of commissioners need to work with their county auditors and dog wardens to pass a resolution establishing these dog registration fees by August 31, 2013. For more information, please contact CCAO Senior Policy Analyst Josh Hahn at (614) 220-7982, (888) 757-1904, or jhahn@ccao.org.

FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

UPDATE ON TAX REFORM AND MUNICIPAL BONDS

Congress is scheduled to leave for the summer recess beginning August 5 through early September. As members of Congress travel home, the recess will provide a great opportunity to schedule meetings and project tours with them and their staff to discuss the importance of municipal bonds to your local communities.

What You Can Do Over the Congress Summer Recess?

- 1) One of the best ways to **communicate to your Members of Congress** about the importance of tax-exempt municipal bonds is to invite them and their staff to tour facilities or projects that are funded completely or in part by municipal bonds. Lawmakers will appreciate the opportunity to see the facilities made possible with municipal bonds, meet local business leaders, and talk with employees who work in the facilities. Whether you get them in a car and drive around their district or schedule a tour, this is a very effective way to build the relationship and begin your advocacy efforts.
- 2) **Schedule a meeting** now! Remember to also invite the member's Washington, D.C. staff including the legislative director and chief of staff.
- 3) **Contact** Representatives Pat Tiberi (Dist. 12–Delaware, Licking, Morrow and parts of Franklin, Marion, Muskingum, and Richland counties) and Jim Renacci (Dist. 16-Wayne and parts of Cuyahoga, Medina, Portage, Stark, and Summit counties) who serve on the House Ways and Means Committee.

- 4) **“Dear Colleague Letter”** – The following Ohio Representatives from the House have signed onto the “Dear Colleague Letter”: Representatives Bob Gibbs (Dist. 7), Bill Johnson (Dist. 6), David Joyce (Dist. 14), Marcy Kaptur (Dist. 9), Bob Latta (Dist. 5), Tim Ryan (Dist. 13), and Steve Stivers (Dist. 15). Ask your member to sign on to the letter.
- 5) Urge your House members to **co-sponsor the Terry/Neal resolution (H. Res. 112)** supporting municipal bonds. If your members would like to sign on, have their staff contact either A.T. Johnston in Rep. Terry’s office (at.johnston@mail.house.gov or (202) 225-4155) or Ann Jablon in Rep. Neal’s office (ann.jablon@mail.house.gov or (202) 225-5601).

NACo Municipal Bond Resources

- [NACo Report](#) on the Impact to Counties of Proposed Changes to Tax-exempt Municipal Bond Interest
- [NACo presentation](#) on municipal bonds with charts and infographics
- [NACo legislative fact sheet](#) on municipal bonds
- [NACo/USCM/NLC](#) report on the impact of municipal bonds

If you have questions or need assistance, contact Mike Belarmino, NACo Associate Legislative Director, at (202) 942-4254 or mbelarmino@naco.org

NACo ACTIVITIES

STAPLETON PARTICIPATES IN NACo COUNTY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Delaware County Commissioner Dennis Stapleton was one of 24 county leaders from across the country selected to participate in this year’s National Association of Counties (NACo) County Leadership Institute (CLI) program June 3-6 in Washington, D.C. CLI is a rigorous four-day NACo program offered in partnership with Cambridge Leadership Associates to help county officials to identify and implement innovative solutions to the complex challenges facing counties and communities. The CLI curriculum was developed specifically for NACo.



Now in its 10th year, CLI has graduated more than 200 members from 44 states and 172 counties across the country. This year’s program focused closely on the demands of personal leadership in a new era of government. County leaders explored the core principles of public service leadership with national experts and collaborated intensively with his colleagues in county government to develop new ways to address real-life issues important to the counties and communities they represent.

Stapleton said it was an honor to participate in the program. “Delaware County and counties across the country are facing increasingly complex challenges,” Stapleton said. “This class was not only a guide for effective leadership techniques but a very intense four-day interaction among county commissioners from across the country and presented itself as a forum for interaction.”

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION

SYLLABUS

2013-025

1. R.C. 2949.093 requires a municipal court to impose the additional court cost established by a board of county commissioners per moving violation adjudicated or otherwise processed by the court in a case when a person is convicted of, or pleads guilty to, more than one moving violation in a case. (2007 Op. Att’y Gen. No. 2007-030, approved and followed.)

2. Whether a municipal court or municipal court clerk is civilly liable for damages for failing to collect the additional court cost established by a board of county commissioners pursuant to R.C. 2949.093 is a question that cannot be answered by means of an Attorney General opinion.

CLASSIFIEDS

Title /For More Information. . .	Employer/Application Deadline
Dog Warden	August 5, 2013 Stark County
Sanitary Engineer	August 9, 2013 Miami County
Transportation Planner	August 15, 2013 Maumee Valley
HR Director	August 19, 2013 Greene County
JFS Director	August 30, 2013 Clark County