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DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER 23, 2013	NW OHIO COMMISSIONER & ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION QUARTERLY MEETING, DEFIANCE EAGLES, DEFIANCE COUNTY (DEFIANCE)
OCTOBER 3, 2013	CCAO BUDGET BRIEFING/OSU EXTENSION UPDATE, THE OHIO 4-H CENTER FRANKLIN COUNTY (COLUMBUS)
OCTOBER 9, 2013	CCAO BUDGET BRIEFING/OSU EXTENSION UPDATE, OLDE DUTCH RESTAURANT, HOCKING COUNTY (LOGAN)
OCTOBER 15, 2013	CCAO BUDGET BRIEFING/OSU EXTENSION UPDATE, SHISLER CONFERENCE CENTER, WAYNE COUNTY (WOOSTER)
OCTOBER 23, 2013	CCAO WEBINAR - THE HEALTH OF OHIO: RESULTS FROM THE 2012 OHIO MEDICAID ASSESSMENT SURVEY
OCTOBER 30, 2013	CCAO BUDGET BRIEFING/OSU EXTENSION UPDATE, WARREN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, WARREN COUNTY (LEBANON)
NOVEMBER 6, 2013	CCAO BUDGET BRIEFING/OSU EXTENSION UPDATE, WOOD COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, WOOD COUNTY (BOWLING GREEN)
DECEMBER 8-10, 2013	CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE, GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER, FRANKLIN COUNTY (COLUMBUS) (HEADQUARTERS HOTEL: HYATT REGENCY)

ASSOCIATION NEWS

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, appointed by CCAO President Gary Lee, 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 2010 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 the CCAO sent 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 was also 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. [Click here](#) for a copy of the memo and forms.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Deborah Lieberman at (937) 225-4690, or call CCAO Executive Director Suzanne Dulaney at (614) 221-5627 or (888) 757-1904.

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 at (614) 220-7998, (888) 757-1904 or at kathydillon@ccao.org. [Read more...](#)

2012 OHIO MEDICAID ASSESSMENT SURVEY WEBINAR

Join CCAO on October 23, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. for a webinar about “The Health of Ohio: Results from the 2012 Ohio Medicaid Assessment Survey”. This presentation will concentrate on the determinants of health and health care system dynamics relating to regional and local government health-associated policy and planning. Particular emphasis will be placed upon population health burdens (e.g., uninsured rates, low access to care rates, poor-to-fair health status, poverty, health disparities and health conditions) that impact Ohio. Comparisons will be drawn between Ohio’s Appalachian, metropolitan, suburban and rural non-Appalachian counties. The theoretical framework for the discussion will be population-associated health risk. Consideration of how these findings may impact implementation of the Affordable Care Act will be addressed. Instruction on how counties may access Ohio Medicaid Assessment Survey (OMAS) data and data findings will be provided.

Webinar attendees may pose questions to the presenters who will respond during and after the power point presentation. To register for this exceptional educational opportunity, please click on this link: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/278055726> or copy and paste it into your browser. If 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.

For additional information regarding the webinar topic, please contact Brad Cole, CCAO Managing Director of Research, at bcole@ccao.org or Laura Abu-Absi, CCAO Policy Analyst, at labu-absi@ccao.org. [Read more...](#)

CCAO BUDGET BRIEFINGS/OSU EXTENSION UPDATES – REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

The state operating budget 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 along with many other policy provisions. Thus, CCAO will offer regional briefings this fall to discuss items in HB 59 that impact county government, suggestions on how to implement certain provisions and insight into potential future legislative initiatives.

OSU Extension and the College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences will join CCAO for these meetings. Dean Bruce McPheron will participate in three of the five meetings to share his vision for the

College's future and to meet commissioners. 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 agenda will be presented at each location. The sessions begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided. There is no charge to attend. **Pre-registration is necessary.**

AGENDA

- 8:15 AM Registration & Coffee
- 9:00 AM Welcome
- 9:15 AM CCAO/OSU Extension Presentations
 - Future Directions: College of Food, Agricultural & Environmental Sciences/OSU Extension
 - Comments from Suzanne Dulaney, CCAO Executive Director
 - Analyzing the State Budget—Past, Present & Future
 - *Break for Lunch*
 - Continued Budget Analysis and Everything Else You Need to Know
- 3:30 PM Adjourn

DATES/LOCATIONS

- October 3 Franklin County (Columbus)**
The Ohio 4-H Center, 2201 Fred Taylor Drive, Columbus. [Register now...](#)
- October 9 Hocking County (Logan)**
Olde Dutch Restaurant, 12791 State Route 664 S, Logan. [Register now...](#)
- October 15 Wayne County (Wooster)**
Shisler Conference Center, 1680 Madison Ave, Wooster. [Register now...](#)
- October 30 Warren County (Lebanon)**
Warren County Administration Building, 406 Justice Dr., Lebanon. [Register now...](#)
- November 6 Wood County (Bowling Green)**
Commissioners Meeting Room, One Courthouse Square, County Administration Building, Bowling Green. [Register now...](#)

Registration information is posted on our website. [Read more...](#)

CCAConnect: JOIN THE CONVERSATION

CCAOC has rolled out CCAOCConnect 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! How do I start using CCAOCConnect? [Read more...](#)

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



AFFILIATE ACTIVITIES

FINAL 2013 CCC/EAPA REGIONAL TRAINING TO BE HELD IN CARROLL COUNTY

The County Commissioners Clerks and Engineers Administrative Professionals Association (CCC/EAPA) have

scheduled regional training sessions this year. The final regional training session will be held on Friday, October 25, 2013 – Carroll County (Carrollton) at Knickers Restaurant/Carroll Meadows Golf Club, 1130 Meadowbrook Lane, in Carrollton. RSVP your attendance to Joann Sikorski, Clerk/Administrative Assistant, Athens County Commissioners at (740) 592-3219 or jsikorski@athensoh.org

All the county commissioners' and engineers' office support staff members are encouraged to attend. Regional meetings, as well as at the CCAO/CEAO Winter Conference, are excellent opportunities for networking. The topics discussed at the regional meetings vary from the daily operations of the office to recent legislative updates. All meetings will be held on Fridays from 10:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. There is no charge to attend. Lunch is provided by CCAO/CEAO.

Information about the CCC/EAPA is available at www.ccc-eapa.org and there is also a yahoo group that is a resource for questions and answers. You can sign up at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CCC_EAPA. For more information, please contact 2013 CCC/EAPA President Lisa Hawkins, Clerk, Ashtabula County Commissioners, 25 West Jefferson Street, Ashtabula, OH 44047-1092, (440) 576-3754, Fax (440) 576-2344, or LLHawkins@ashtabulacounty.us

STATE ACTIVITIES

2014 RECYCLING & LITTER PREVENTION GRANT INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Ohio EPA will soon be accepting applications for the 2014 Recycling and Litter Prevention Grants and will host an informational meeting on Thursday, October 3, 2013. The informational meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Transportation, 1980 West Broad Street - Auditorium, in Columbus. There is no registration required, however, those attending should bring a photo I.D. The following competitive grants provide opportunities for communities, local governments and businesses to establish and implement recycling, recycling market development, litter prevention and scrap tire recycling programs.

- **Community Grant:** This funding allows Ohio communities to support and expand community recycling and litter prevention efforts. The grants require 50 percent matching funds to be available to spend on costs approved for the project.
- **Litter Cleanup and Tire Amnesty Grant:** This program accepts grant applications from Ohio communities and nonprofit organizations to support litter cleanup and tire amnesty collection projects. Ten percent of the grant must be provided in matching funds.
- **Market Development Grant:** Grant funds are offered to Ohio businesses that propose to create infrastructure for successful markets of recyclable materials and related products. The cooperating enterprise must commit to matching grant funds by 100 percent, with a maximum grant period of 24 months.
- **Scrap Tire Grant:** This program provides financial assistance to Ohio's local entities to convert manufacturing operations to accept scrap tire material, expand tire processing operations and utilize scrap tire material in civil engineering projects or reuse in manufactured products. The cooperating enterprise must commit to 100 percent matching funds and the grant implementation period may not exceed 24 months.

Grant applications for all programs are due February 3, 2014. Grant awards will be announced in May 2014, with funding available in July 2014. For more information, please contact Chet J. Chaney, Grants Administrator, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Environmental Education, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, OH 43216-1049, (614) 728-0043, (614) 439-6269, or chet.chaney@epa.state.oh.us

FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

ADMINISTRATION PROPOSES CHANGES TO TANF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The Administration for Children and Families published a notice of proposed changes to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant quarterly reporting requirements. The new requirements would be effective FY2015, which means that the February 2016 quarterly report would be the first one affected. ACF is seeking comments, which are due November 12. [Read more...](#)

EPA PROPOSES WATER QUALITY STANDARD REVISIONS

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has proposed changes to the current federal water quality standards (WQS) under the Clean Water Act (CWA). WQS are used as a basis by states to enforce CWA regulatory programs, generally through specific numerical or narrative limits of specific pollutants. However, changes to the WQS could significantly impact counties, especially those counties who have wastewater treatment facilities and/or stormwater runoff programs. [Read more...](#)

GRANTS

GRANTS FOR APPALACHIAN COMMUNITIES AVAILABLE

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) have partnered on the Sustainable Communities in Appalachia partnership to grant up to \$200,000 to four Appalachian communities for technical assistance in the realm of creation of healthy food systems and other sustainability efforts. Funds can be used for start-up efforts and action plans. [Read more...](#)

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

OHIO RCAP FALL TRAINING SCHEDULE

The Ohio Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP) is offering the following training courses this fall:

- [Management for Local Officials](#) - Ohio RCAP provides four unique training seminars for local officials in utility management and capacity development offered at locations throughout Ohio. These one-day courses cover technical, managerial, and financial aspects of utility operation and management.
- [Geographic Information Systems \(GIS\) and Capacity, Management, Operation and Maintenance \(CMOM\)](#) – GIS training will discuss how it is used by utility departments of small communities and how to begin a program. CMOM provides a management framework to evaluate asset condition and system performance, optimize operation and maintenance practices and plan for capital upgrades.

Click on the links above for more information, training schedule and approved contact hours for each course. There is no charge to attend. Lunch is on your own. You may register on-line at <http://ohrcap.org> or contact Nadine Thompson, Program Assistant, WSOS Community Action, at (800) 775-9767 or nethompson@wsos.org

HOW TO CONDUCT A COMMUNITY HISTORIC SURVEY

Plan to attend the “How to Conduct a Community Historic Survey” workshop from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 3 at the Oxford Community Arts Center, 10 South College Avenue, in Oxford. This in-person workshop will provide practical guidance on how to select properties to survey, how to conduct historic and architectural research, and how to document properties in the Ohio Historic Inventory, a useful source of

information for local design review boards, local government planners and for history and preservation professionals. New survey guidance including how to submit electronic survey reports will be covered. Participants will also practice what they learn in a hands-on session that will go into a neighborhood to document a building and discuss survey techniques. Registration fee: \$40 (includes lunch). [Register here...](#)

COUNTY INUNDATION TOOLKIT

Whether you live in a coastal county or a flood-prone county, this NACo webinar will prepare you with a host of resources to improve the inundation resilience of your county. You will learn how to understand what inundation is and why communities should be concerned, how to conduct risk and vulnerability assessments, become familiar with tools to help visualize inundation, and effectively communicate about the issues, concerns and values of your community. Join NACo on Thursday, October 3, at 2:00 p.m. [Read more...](#)

EXPLORING A NEW NORMAL FOR ENTERPRISE AND PUBLIC SAFETY TECHNOLOGISTS

The Center for Digital Government invites you to a special Law Enforcement Information Technology meeting on October 23, 2013 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. at the Embassy Suites, 5800 Rockside Woods Blvd, in Independence. This meeting is being co-hosted by Digital Communities and the Ohio County/City Information Technology Association (OCITA). This meeting is open to all government professionals with in interest in improving public safety through the use of information and communication technology. There is no charge to attend. [Read more...](#)

CLASSIFIEDS

Title /For More Information. . .	Employer/Application Deadline
Director of Economic Development	September 27, 2013 Jefferson County
Sanitary Engineer	October 4, 2013 Miami County
County Administrator	October 4, 2013 Greene County
Executive Director	October 18, 2013 Trumbull County Planning Commission
Director - Department on Aging	Open until filled Geauga County
Development Director	Open until filled Madison County
Fiscal Officer	Open until filled Cuyahoga County
Human Resources Director	Open until filled Greene County