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DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER 13, 2013	OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT COLLECTION SERVICES PROGRAM – CCAO 2 ND WEDNESDAY WEBINAR
NOVEMBER 13, 2013	CCAO NATURAL GAS PROGRAM ANNUAL MEETING WEBINAR
NOVEMBER 13, 2013	CCAO SMALL COUNTY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CONFERENCE CALL
NOVEMBER 15, 2013	CCAO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
NOVEMBER 15, 2013	CCAO HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE, CCAO OFFICES, COLUMBUS
DECEMBER 8-10, 2013	CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE, GREATER COLUMBUS CONVENTION CENTER, FRANKLIN COUNTY (COLUMBUS) (HEADQUARTERS HOTEL: HYATT REGENCY)

ASSOCIATION NEWS

CCAO HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE TO MEET ON NOVEMBER 15

CCAO Health and Human Services (HHS) Chair Paula Prentice has scheduled a meeting of the committee on Friday, November 15, 2013 to continue the discussion on child welfare funding and other items that were discussed in the recent conference call. The meeting will be held immediately following the CCAO Board of Directors meeting around 1:00 p.m.

HHS Committee members are welcome to invite your children services agency director to join you for this discussion. In addition, you are welcome to join the Board for lunch. Please RSVP for both commissioners and PCSA directors by **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 12th** to Tanya McComas at (614) 221-5627 or tmccomas@ccao.org.

LARRY LONG RETIREMENT RECEPTION – DECEMBER 8

CCAO, CORSA and CEBCO will be hosting a reception to celebrate and thank Larry L. Long for his service to CCAO from 1974 to 2013. The reception will be held during the CCAO/CEAO Annual Winter Conference on Sunday, December 8 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Columbus, 350 North High Street – 3rd floor Ballroom, in



downtown Columbus. Invitations were distributed this week. There is no charge to attend the reception. Parking is on your own. **NO GIFTS PLEASE.**

To help us plan for the reception, please **RSVP your attendance** to LarryRetires@ccao.org or to Amanda Jones at (614) 220-7985 or (888) 757-1904 by **November 22, 2013**. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to send congratulatory notes to Larry Long, c/o CCAO, 209 East State Street, Columbus, OH 43215.

CCAO/CEAO ANNUAL WINTER CONFERENCE: LEARN HOW TO COMMUNICATE IN A CRISIS AND HONE YOUR INTERVIEW SKILLS

Join CCAO/CEAO for our 133rd Annual Winter Conference to be held on December 8-10, 2013 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center (GCCC), 400 North High Street, in downtown Columbus. All meetings and the trade show will be held at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. CCAO/CEAO encourages all attendees to [register for the conference online](#) – it's easy and fast! You will be invoiced for your conference registration.

Join CCAO/CEAO at the Monday General Session and Luncheon for a session on “Communicating in a Crisis/News Interview Skills” presented by [Anthony Huey](#), President of Reputation Management Associates. Effectively engaging the media as a public official is an important skill to possess – especially during a crisis. This entertaining and informative presentation will help you learn what the media needs, how the media can help you get to the public quickly, and techniques to control the flow of information.

CCAO Conference Sessions:

- 9-1-1: Next Steps for Next Generation of Service
- Human Resources Tips & Trends
- Pipelines: Coming Soon to a Community Near You
- OPERS for Soon-to-Be Retirees
- Affordable Care Act: What You Need To Know As An Employer & Public Official
- Budgets & Fiscal Controls
- Innovation!
- Legislative Update
- JobsOhio – Update On Ohio's Economic Development Trends
- Certified Public Records Training For Elected Officials

The headquarters hotel will be the [Hyatt Regency Columbus](#), which is connected to the GCCC. The Sunday night reception, hospitality suites, and a block of hotel rooms are at the Hyatt. Additional blocks of hotel rooms have been held at the [Drury Inn](#) (Drury group access code – 2180938) Click on the hotel reservation links above or see the hotel reservation information on the conference registration form.

An [updated agenda](#) and [registration materials](#) have been posted at www.ccao.org

REMINDER: ALL MEMBERS WELCOME TO ATTEND CCAO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

This is a reminder that all county commissioners, county executive and county council members are welcome and invited to attend the CCAO Board of Directors meetings. The next CCAO Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Friday, November 15, 2013. In order to include everyone who plans to attend in the lunch count, please RSVP Kathy Dillon, Office Manager & Boards' Liaison, at kathydillon@ccao.org on or before November 11 if you will be attending the meeting. Also, please feel free to contact Kathy Dillon should you have any additional questions.

OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT COLLECTION SERVICES PROGRAM – 2ND WEDNESDAY WEBINAR

CCAO is pleased to offer a one-hour webinar explaining the procedure for local governments to use the Local Government Collection Services program offered by the Ohio Attorney General's office to collect debts due county governments. The webinar is scheduled for Wednesday, November 13, 2013 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. No need to travel – attend the webinar at your computer. The webinar will include:

- How local governments may certify debt to the OAG through a fully automated data file layout provided by the OAG
- How to initiate a memorandum of understanding with local entities to outline the services to be provided and the expectations of both parties
- How the program is funded through a 10% collection fee by the OAG that can be passed along to the debtor
- How the program permits an offset of a debtor's state tax refunds and lottery winnings
- Information on payment processing through credit card, checks, the internet, and a 24 hour interactive phone response system
- Online monitoring and review of accounts through interactive software made available to local entities

Webinar participants may pose questions to the presenters who will respond during and after the presentation. To take advantage of this exceptional educational opportunity, please click on this link: <https://www3.gotomeeting.com/register/634574846> If for any reason you experience difficulty in connecting to the link and you wish to register for the webinar, please email Amanda Jones, CCAO Administrative Assistant, at ajones@ccao.org and provide her with your email address.

There is no charge to attend. Space is limited for this webinar, so register early. If you have questions about the program, contact Brad Cole, Managing Director of Research, at bcole@ccao.org. [Read more...](#)

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 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...](#)

LAST CCAO BUDGET BRIEFING/OSU EXTENSION UPDATE HELD IN WOOD COUNTY



This week, CCAO Executive Committee Member Steve Arndt, Ottawa County Commissioner, and Doris Herringshaw, Wood County Commissioner, welcomed over 50 registrants to the Northwest Ohio CCAO Budget Briefing/OSU Extension Update held at the Wood County Administration Building, in Bowling Green.

CCAO Executive Director Suzanne Dulaney and the Policy Team reviewed the impact of HB 59 - the state operating budget - on counties. HB 59 provides funding to Ohio's counties and, moreover, enacts a substantial tax reform package along with many other policy provisions. Items in HB 59 that impact county government, suggestions on how to implement certain provisions and insight into potential future legislative initiatives were discussed.

Dean Bruce McPherson clarified how Extension's cooperative funding model helps Extension and its partners coordinate and enhance efforts to address local needs most effectively and efficiently. The OSU Discovery Themes of health and wellness, energy and environment, and food production and security – as well as the similar signature areas of the Ohio State College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, are incorporated into Extension's work.

COUNTYWIDE TAX LEVY RESULTS

Forty-eight counties had 101 countywide tax levies, countywide sales tax and misc. questions on the ballot for the General Election on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. Of the 101 countywide levies on the ballot, 86 passed and 15 failed.

[Click here](#) to view the details. Please note: these are unofficial results. Contact Mary Jane Neiman, CCAO Public Relations Associate, at (614) 220-7979 or mjneiman@ccao.org with any additions or corrections.

STATE ACTIVITIES

2014 COUNTY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

HOLIDAY	LEGAL HOLIDAY
New Year's Day	January 1
Martin Luther King Day	January 20
President's Day	February 17
Memorial Day	May 26
Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	September 1
Columbus Day	October 13
Veteran's Day	November 11

Thanksgiving Day	November 27
Christmas Day	December 25

FEDERAL ACTIVITIES

NEW NACO PRESENTATION ON THE PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES (PILT) PROGRAM

Last week, NACo released a new publication on the [Payment in Lieu of Taxes \(PILT\)](#) program. The presentation was developed in an effort to continue educating policymakers, county officials and the public about the unique nature of PILT, its history, and why PILT funding matters to over 1,850 counties in 49 states. PILT provides payments to counties and other local governments to offset losses in tax revenues due to the presence of tax-exempt federal land in their jurisdictions. [Ohio PILT funds](#) total over \$554,000 for 46 counties. NACo is the only national organization lobbying on behalf of counties for PILT funding. [Read more...](#)

FARM BILL CONFEREES HOLD FIRST MEETING; ACTION NEEDED

On October 30, all 41 farm bill conferees met for the first time to begin the process of settling differences between the Senate and House farm bills. Please reach out immediately to Ohio conferees, Senator Sherrod Brown and Representative Marcia Fudge (Dist. 11-Warrensville Heights) and stress county priorities and the need for a robust and long-term farm bill. [Read more...](#)

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

STAYING FINANCIALLY RESILIENT IN THE FACE OF DISASTER

In order to remain economically competitive, counties must be able to anticipate and adapt to all types of physical, social and economic changes. To stay resilient to future natural disasters, counties must identify their financial vulnerability and available assets to respond to such events. Join NACo on Thursday, November 14 at 2:00 p.m. to learn about research and lessons learned for how counties can increase financial capacity to be more resilient to future disasters. [Register here...](#)

BEING MOBILE: ONLINE SAFETY AND SECURITY

With the popularity and affordability of smart phones, tablets, laptops, and Wi-Fi, staying connected is easier than ever. Americans must take personal responsibility for connecting safely while on the go. Join NACo on Friday, November 15 at 2:00 p.m. for a webinar to find out how you can use the internet more safely and securely. [Register here...](#)

CLASSIFIEDS

Title /For More Information. . .	Employer/Application Deadline
JFS Director	November 13, 2013 Belmont County
CSEA Director	November 15, 2013 Washington County
Department of Development Director	November 20, 2013 Greene County

EMA Director	December 13, 2013 Portage County
JFS Director	Open until filled Clinton County
Social Services Supervisor 1	Open until filled Williams County
Fiscal Officer	Open until filled Cuyahoga County
Human Resources Director	Open until filled Greene County
Planner	Open until filled Trumbull County