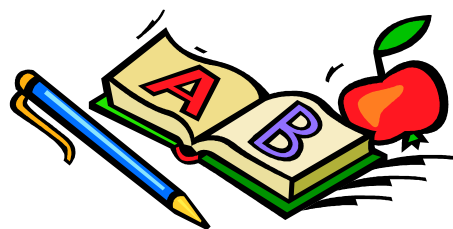


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2011-2012 NCOEA Leadership Team

Patty Levingston	President
Jen Lepard	Vice-President
Sue Jarvis	Recording Sec.
Brad Strong	OEA Director
Becky Cashell	Executive Sec. - Treas.

NCOEA 2011-2012 Calendar

January 23-25 NEA Mid-Atlantic Conf.
Arlington, Virginia

February 2-4 OEA Collective Bargaining Conf.,
Hyatt Regency, Columbus

February 2 *NCOEA Executive Comm.
(If needed)

March 2 "Read Across America"

March 1 *NCOEA Executive Comm.

March 17 NCOEA Spring Workshop,
Mansfield Sr. H.S. 4:30 pm

April 12 *NCOEA Executive Comm.

April 23 NCOEA Spring RA,
Mansfield Sr. H.S., 5:00 pm, Registration required

May 3 *NCOEA Executive Comm.

May 11-12 OEA Spring RA,
Veterans Memorial, 9:00am

June 19 NCOEA Retreat, TBA

**June 30 - July 5 NEA Representative
Assembly, Washington DC**

August 6-8 OEA Leadership Academy
Hyatt Regency, Columbus

***All NCOEA Executive Committee Meetings**
begin at 6:00 pm, at St. Timothy's Lutheran
Church, at Route 42 North and Route 30 East in
Mansfield. All **NCOEA** members are welcome to
attend. Pizza, salad and snacks are served at 5:15
p.m.

President's Column – Patty Levingston

Hello Everyone! I hope everyone is doing well as we made it through another semester of school already. 2011 was a very busy year. Now, with the start of 2012 under way, it seems to be just as busy with the election primaries just around the corner. Keep in mind, as you make your decisions on the next leaders for the state and national levels, who helped us make 2011 a successful year for the working class and who help create the mess that lead to Issue 2. Just remember, we have the power to make a difference in the way the government works by electing officials who are friendly to education and the working class.

So as 2012 gets more and more under way remember the past year of how friends, family and neighbors came together to make sure their voices were heard. Now that the celebration is slowing down, spend time with the family that may not remember who you are because of your dedication to Issue 2, say hello to the neighbors that may have forgot you lived next door because you where never home, and call up your friends to remind them you still know who they are and would like to get together with them.

Enjoy your rest and be ready to take action when called upon. I hope your students and administration appreciates all you do because I do.

Have a wonderful rest of the school year.

Patty Levingston,
NCOEA President



OEA Fall Representative Assembly



Rob Fetters and Tina Adams with their FCPE awards they received at the RA.



NCOEA Members at our raffle table. The half the funds going to the Susan G Koman fund for breast [cancer](#), the rest going to the NCOEA scholarship fund.

The Fall Rep. Assembly was held at Veterans Memorial in Columbus Ohio on December 3rd, 2011. We had many delegates in attendance from various NCOEA schools.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

1. Elected Tammy Koontz, Board of Director At-Large (with a term ending 8/31/13).
2. Adopted the proposed 2011-2012 Legislative Policies (including amendments) and the Systemic Policy Agenda of the OEA, Supporting a High-Quality Public Education System in Ohio (including editorial change), formerly titled the Education Reform Package.
3. Approved a New Business Item directing OEA to continue to develop appropriate and necessary political action plans that strengthen the role of the local associations, OEA District Associations and Regional Coordinating Councils in the following areas:
 - Local Assoc. participation in OEA-FCPE House and Senate District Screening Comm.
 - Selection/training for members of House & Senate District Screening comm. and DSCs.
 - Involvement of Local Association members in the campaigns of endorsed candidates.
 - OEA Lobby Days and Core Group Grassroots Lobbying activities by OEA-FCPE House and Senate District Committees.
 - Member participation in both OEA and NEA Cyber-Lobbying.
 - Local, District, and RCC FCPE Fundraising.
4. Approved a New Business Item directing OEA to remind members about who voted for and against Senate Bill 5 with "Remember Issue 2" literature.
5. Defeated a New Business Item directing OEA to create a committee to research and develop recommendations to hold parents accountable for student performance.
6. Referred the Charter Schools Task Force report to committee.

There were 1,029 registered delegates at the assembly.

Delegates contributed \$33,704.00 to the OEA Fund for Children and Public Education.

FCPE giveaway winners:

- \$1,400 – Eric Olsen (Howland C.T.A.)
- \$1,050 – Amy Butcher (Westlake T.A.)
- \$700 – Mary Ann McMahon (Niles E.A.)
- \$350 – Rob Fetters (Mt. Vernon E.A.)



NCOEA Friend of Education Award - Link to the online form:

<http://www.northcentraloea.org/awards/NCOEA%20Friend%20of%20Ed.%20Nomination%20Form.pdf>

North Central Ohio Education Association

FRIEND OF EDUCATION AWARD

Nomination Form

Local Association: _____

Contact Person: _____ Date _____

Address: _____, OH Zip _____

Phone: School _____ Home _____

Email _____

Complete either A or B.

A. Name of Nominee _____ Phone _____

Nominee's Address: _____, OH Zip _____

Nominee's position/occupation _____

Nominee's email _____

B. Name of Group Nominee _____

Group Contact Person _____ Phone _____

Contact Person's Address: _____, OH Zip _____

Contact Person's email _____

Group's Goals, Missions, etc. _____

Statement of support for nomination. (Feel free to write a letter of nomination on other paper.) Please be specific.
REFER TO GUIDELINES REFER TO GUIDELINES ON THE NEXT PAGE.

**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS NOMINATION FORM AND RETURN BY FEBRUARY 28 TO:
Jen Leopard, NCOEA Awards Committee, Mansfield Middle School 124 N. Linden Rd., Mansfield, OH 44906**



FRIEND OF EDUCATION AWARD GUIDELINES

In order to keep the costs of the newsletter as low as possible, there will only be 1 newsletter mailed each year. That will be the one for January-February.

If you have any information for the newsletter please email it to me. The deadlines for submission are:

March 1: March - April
May 1: May, June, July

My email address is
mbarr@neo.rr.com

Thank you for your help.
Shelly Barr
Chalkdust Editor

Elections

Galion EA
March 23, 2012

Mount Vernon EA
March 27, 2012

We're on the Web!

See us at:

<http://www.northcentraloea.org>

The Ohio Education Association states that the purpose of the "Friend of Education Award" is to recognize an individual or organization that has made a significant contribution to the school district and/or education profession. It is also designed to help weld the local association to community leaders and project, to the community, the concerns of educators. The North Central Ohio Education Association wishes to support actively this endeavor and to present a district award.

CRITERIA

The individual or organization must be outside the school district education community. (Teachers, administrators, school boards, etc. shall be excluded.) The contributions of the individual or organization must be significant to at least one local in our district, and the contribution shall be long-term and on-going, impacting upon large numbers of students in the district(s). Our district will award a maximum of three (3) Friend of Education awards per year. It is recommended that no more than one (1) per county be awarded.

LIMITATIONS

Each local shall nominate only one person or organization per year. Each nominee must have been chosen for a similar award from the nominating local within the past 12 months.

SELECTION PROCESS

All applications shall be completed by February 28 and returned to the NCOEA Executive Secretary-Treasurer or designee. The "Friend of Education Award" Committee shall review the applications and make their selections (maximum of three) by the March Executive Committee meeting. The Award Committee may contact the local districts for additional information about their award candidates. At the March Executive Committee meeting the selection(s) shall be approved or rejected by the vote of the Executive Committee. Presentation of the Award(s) shall be done in a meeting of the organization or a group to which the recipient belongs, at the NCOEA Spring Assembly, NCOEA Spring Awards Banquet, and/or at another appropriate place or time. All award recipients shall receive recognition from NCOEA.