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From the President

Hello! Welcome to a new and exciting membership year for OAACE.

First let me extend thanks from the OAACE Board to all of you for the support that you have given the organization in the past. Because of this support, we have become one of the strongest organizations for adult educators in the state.

We have an exciting year planned that includes our hosting the COABE Conference April 24-28, 2004 in Columbus, Ohio. I hope that all of you mark these dates on your calendar now as it promises to be a showcase for adult education activities.

We will be seeking help from you, our members, to help with various aspects of the conference.

If you want to help and have not been contacted, you need to contact either of the COABE Co-Managers, Rick McIntosh or Karyn Evans. They will gladly find a way for you to help with the conference.

“DISCOVER COLUMBUS – Discover the Best of Adult Education.”

Hope to See You There.

Respectfully,
Linda Josefczyk

Welcome New Board Members

The first newsletter of the year is a great place and time to welcome our new OAACE Board Members. Starting with our two new Regional Directors, **Shirley Kowalski** from the Northeast Region and **Cindy Penza** from the Northwest Region. Shirley works for the Mayfield City Schools ABLE Program and Cleveland Hts./University Hts. ABLE Program. **Cindy** is employed by Norwalk City Schools.

Tara Narcross is representing Higher Education and is employed at Columbus State Community College. Our new Communications Director is **Pat Faulhaber** who works for the Canton City Schools ABLE Program. **Cheryl Hagerty** is the new Governance Director. We would like to welcome Cheryl back to the Board and she is employed by Union County ABLE Program.

Thelma Slater is the Community Agencies Director. This position has been vacant for a year so a big thanks to Thelma for her willingness to serve. Thelma works for the Canton City Schools ABLE Program. **Sharon Halter** is the Adult Career & Technical Director, and is employed at Ohio Hi-Point JVS. **Denise Justice** is our Corrections Liaison. This is also a position that has been missing representation in the past and we are very glad to have Denise on the Board. She is employed with the Ohio Central School System. **Sara Battison** is just wearing a new hat on the Board this year. Sara has moved from Northeast Regional Director to 2nd Vice-President. She is employed by Ashland County-West Holmes JVS.

Thanks to all of the Board members for their commitment to this organization. I am looking forward to working with all of you new members as well as our more experienced Board members during the coming year. Linda J.

This 'n That

The Ohio ABLE 2002 Annual Performance report listed the following numbers of ABLE staff and volunteers employed in 2002:

Full-time teachers	243
Part-time teachers	995
Full-time support staff	75
Part-time support staff	340
Full-time administrators	74
Part-time administrators	54
Total full-time	392
Total part-time	1,389
Unpaid volunteers	2,109

Take Time to Surf

The Internet sites listed below are great resources for material for classrooms or for presentations.

www.ahaprocess.com

www.quoteworld.com

www.chickensoup.com

www.litwomen.org

www.clipart.com

Ohio ABLE sites:
Get to know the
Ohio ABLE sites

•Southeastern
www.scoca-k12.org/able

•Perry County ABLE
<http://pcable.1stwebhost.net>

•Painesville City Schools
www.painesville-city.k12.oh.us/new/ABLE

•Canton City Schools ABLE
www.ccsdistrict.org

Regional Directors' News

CENTRAL AND SOUTHEAST REGION: On August 19, the Central and S.E. Ohio OAACE directors', Joe McGowan and Al Carrelli, held their Fall gathering at The O.U. Inn in Athens, Ohio.

The Fall Kickoff with the Central/S.E. Ohio ABLE Resource Center was held on Wednesday, August 20. The proceeds from a 50/50 drawing were donated to the Max Way Scholarship. For information on the Max Way Scholarship, visit the OAACE website at www.oaace.org.

SOUTHWEST REGION: By now you should all be in full swing for the new school year. There was a good turnout at the Standards Institute this past summer in Kent, Ohio and Ohio University in Athens. The RCN did an excellent job of taking the fear and anxiety away.

On October 17, 2003 an OAACE activity in conjunction with the South West Teacher's Day is scheduled at the Sinclair Community College in Dayton, Ohio. The meeting is called Teacher's Day—Supporting the standards. If you are interested in more information, call Karen Hibbert at 614-873-4666. You can sign up for the meeting through your resource center.

NORTHEAST REGION: Greetings! As the new representative for NE Ohio, I'm excited to be involved in professional development and communication for ABLE staff. I hold both teaching and administrative positions and have been involved with ABLE for 11 years. There is a lot going in our region. A new Even Start program is starting in Cleveland Heights-University Heights that will include GED and ESOL components. And, the Lake/Geauga County Literacy Coalition, CARES, and the Common Good Linkage Team are working together to distribute free back-to-school supplies.

A wonderful school year to all! — Shirley Kowalski

Membership News—Help Increase OAACE Membership

OAACE membership continues to grow but we are missing many potential members, particularly from community agencies. These agencies serve the same adults that enroll in state funded ABLE programs and Career & Technical classes throughout the state.

There are numerous agencies providing literacy and career training programs that should be encouraged to become members of OAACE and benefit from the great services provided by the OAACE.

You can help by contacting your local agencies or sending your local agency's names, addresses and telephone numbers to Thelma Slater, Community Agencies Director, to make a contact. Mail to Ms. Slater at Canton City Schools, 1510 Clarendon Ave NW, Canton, OH 44708

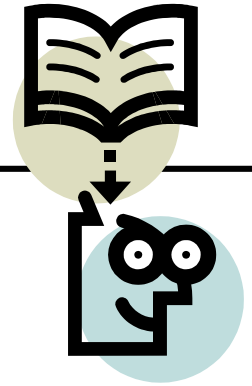
OAACE Public Awareness Grant

Is there something that you have always wanted to try to promote awareness of your adult education program? Is there a particular audience your program would like to target?

If so, you can apply for an OAACE Public Awareness grant to help you reach your audience and promote adult literacy awareness.

Applicants can ask for a maximum of \$250 to promote awareness for Adult Education. Applicants must describe the purpose, activities planned, and how the funds will be utilized to increase the awareness of Adult Education. A draft of any proposed printed materials or other media must be submitted for approval. Acknowledgement must be given to OAACE as a source of funding for the activity. Applications are on the OAACE website at www.oaace.org.

The OAACE Public Awareness grants are due on October 31.



Ideas and articles for the OAACE Newsletter are always appreciated. Please submit your items to :

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OAACE Awards and Scholarships

While the OAACE Awards and Scholarships deadline of March 1, 2004 may seem a long time away, now is the time to start thinking of exemplary colleagues who should be nominated for these awards. Nominations may be sent to OAACE anytime during the year until the March 1 deadline. The nomination forms are available at www.oaace.org.

The Sharon Davis-Stubbe Award categories are Administrator, Teacher, Support staff, and Contributor. All must be OAACE members except the Contributor.

Also be thinking of students who might qualify for the Lifelong Learning Scholarship and in Athens, Gallia, Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs, Pickaway, Pike, Ross, Scioto, Vinton, or Washington counties for the Max Way Scholarship. These students should have a GED or high school diploma, be currently enrolled or attended an adult education program with in the last twelve months, and will enroll in post secondary education or training within six months of receiving the scholarship.

For OAACE members, who would like to further their education, remember the OAACE Member Scholarship. All of the scholarships are for \$1,000 and may be used for tuition, books, and related supplies at any adult vocation, two-four year state certified college, or university.

The Linda Luca GED Scholarship will be awarded to one of the top 100 GED scorers in the state for 2003. These candidates are obtained from the top 100 scores in Ohio for the GED test for the year. The applicants also have to enroll in post secondary education or training within six months of receiving the scholarship.



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