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## OAEA CALENDAR

### January

- 24 Executive Committee 7:00 pm Local
- 25 Board of Directors 10:00am STRS  
-YAM/YPAE work due
- 31 Completed nomination packets due to all  
RDs for all awards
- 31 Jerry Tollifson Art Criticism Open  
entries due

### February

- 8 Executive Committee 10:00am Local
- 14 OAT/Service Award materials due to  
Awards Chair  
Division Award materials due to Past  
President  
Ohio Art Educator award materials due  
to Awards Chair

### March

- 1 Conference proposal submissions begin
- 1-31 YAM Exhibitions STRS
- 15 YAM Reception STRS
- 15 YPAE Reception Rhodes
- 21 Executive Committee 7:00pm Local
- 22 Board of Directors 10:00am STRS
- 29-31 NAEA Convention San Diego, CA

### April

- 1 Spring/Summer ARTline Deadline  
ohioartline@yahoo.com

### May

- 1 Conference proposal submissions end.  
All proposals due.
- 16 Executive Committee

## President's Message

### Randall Robart

#### President

***"Do or do not. There is no try." – Yoda***

Like all teachers looking for ways to motivate students I have to say one of my favorite quotes in my classroom arsenal is the Yoda quote above. It really is a mantra for anyone or any classroom, district, or organization striving to create and attain achievement. Someone once asked for my goals within this organization and I have to say that while a number of specifics came to mind, this quote really encompasses all. However, no goal is attainable without the cumulative endeavors and support of a very creative group of people such as our board of directors. And like another quote from my arsenal,

***"Art is everywhere, except it has to pass through a creative mind." – Louise Nevelson,***

the Board of Directors are ready and willing to make a difference across the state in the name of arts education via their own unique creative skill sets, all of which are a reflection upon membership needs, as well as statewide legislative initiatives and mandates. Remember, the association is a volunteer organization, with organizational members working to implement our mission statement:

***"Building community for visual art educators by promoting professional growth and leadership."***

Make a commitment this year to become more active within your region or at the state level. The time you invest professionally will reap rewards not only for you on the new OTES but you just may help a colleague or two or three... you get the picture. With this new year, let's take new steps of change together and strengthen art education in Ohio through our continued collaborations.

Remember: Do or do not, there is no try.

I am honored to serve as your OAEA President and look forward to a collaborative year ahead.

OAEA rocks and YOU make it happen!

### Mark your Calendars!

### OAEA's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! OAEA Professional Development Conference

Hyatt Regency, Downtown Columbus  
November 6 - 8, 2014





## 2013 Ohio Art Educator of the Year

### Sandra Noble Really is Noble!

In Toledo, at the OAEA annual conference, Sandra Noble was presented with her award by Awards Chair Alice Tavani. Sandra is an accomplished art educator from the North East part of Ohio who has been an active member of OAEA for 26 years. She is a quilter and founded the Northeast Ohio African Quilt and Doll Guild. She has also been a teacher, consultant, writer, panelist, lecturer, judge, trainer, and more. This award really is a lifetime achievement award and the highest OAEA has to offer.

It was a fun filled evening with Scholarship Awards, State Service Awards, Outstanding Art Teachers, and Division Awards. Many leaders in art education filled the ball room and walked on stage that night.

2012 Art Educator of the Year Monte Garrabrant began the evening with a speech about volunteerism and how it has changed his life and impacts our world. OAEA does not exist without volunteers!

Helping present the awards and making the night fun filled are more volunteers! Thanks to the many art educators who used their creativity and lots of hard work to make costumes and transform themselves into famous artists, art, and subjects from art. Pictured here are some of the guest artists. Can you guess who is who?



### OAEA.org

To see a more complete representation of the amazing people who were awarded, please visit the OAEA website and look under each award to see their photo and a quote.

I would also like to introduce the new OAEA Awards Chair Nicole Wentz. She may be reached at: wentzn1@woh.rr.com  
1015 Glen Arbor Ct.  
Centerville, OH 45459

I have loved being the Awards Chair for the past five years.  
Thanks for putting up with me!  
-Alice B. Tavani



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**Call for 2014 Workshop Presentations**  
**Proposal Portal opens March 1<sup>st</sup>**

The OAEA is looking for the following presentations for 2014. **Proposal Deadline May 1<sup>st</sup>**. These topics are not limited to the kinds of proposals that can be submitted, just a gauge for the kinds of presentations we would like to see as part of the conference workshops. The following list was suggested in the conference evaluations from 2013:

- ☐ Writing/Developing SLOs (Student Learning Objectives)
- ☐ Connecting Lessons to Ohio Visual Arts State Standards
- ☐ Grant Writing
- ☐ Building Advocacy
- ☐ Gifted Art Students
- ☐ Blended Learning - technology in the classroom, everything iPad Apps, Prezi
- ☐ Arts Integration and/or Arts Infused Education
- ☐ Arts Advocacy
- ☐ Special needs in the art room
- ☐ Ohio Teacher Evaluation System
- ☐ Elementary Studio Lessons

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***OAEA Mission***

**BUILDING COMMUNITY FOR VISUAL ART EDUCATORS**  
**BY PROMOTING GROWTH AND LEADERSHIP**

## Announcements

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**Need to update your personal information with OAEA?**  
**Want to submit a 2014 conference proposal?**  
**Need to log in to the OAEA Website?**

Just go to Member Login on OAEA.org and click on "Get your Password." Type in the email address OAEA has on file (school or home). The system will then send you a password to the email entered. The system directly links to the OAEA database and will import your profile information from our database.

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### **Kroger Shoppers Can Help Fund OAEA Student Exhibitions**

Jennifer Davis, OAEA State Exhibition Coordinator

OAEA members, teachers, parents of our students, our family and friends, and supporters of OAEA should be encouraged to participate in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. It is both free and simple to sign up for a Kroger Rewards card and to designate that the funds go to the Ohio Art Education Foundation. Those participating can pick up a Kroger Rewards card at any Kroger store. The cards enable shoppers to get discounts on their purchases. The next step is to register cards so that funds can be raised for the Foundation. Cards may either be registered online at [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) or by calling 1-800-837-4483.

The funds earned from Kroger Community Rewards help pay for the awards portion of YAM, YPAE, and the HS Exhibition. Sign up today and thanks for supporting our OAEA Student Exhibitions!

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# Announcements

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## OAEA Professional Development Conference

**Columbus 2014 November 6 - 8**  
**Submit a Conference Workshop Proposal**  
**Opens March 1<sup>st</sup> - Deadline May 1<sup>st</sup>**

It's OAEA's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! Join us for a conversation on arts-centered solutions that strengthen the arts in education throughout Ohio. The OAEA Professional Development Conference is the premier place for art educators to get professional development!

Have a great idea for a workshop? Feel like sharing? Submit a Conference Proposal

The OAEA is looking for three types of Conference Proposals:

- 1.) Standard Presentation - regular presentation style, \$35 reimbursement for supplies (with valid receipts)
- 2.) Hands On Presentation - presentation is hands-on and includes art supplies, \$65 reimbursement for presentation supplies (with valid receipts)
- 3.) Ticketed Events - art making workshop for attendees, dollar amount set by presenter, supplies reimbursed based on receipts and number of people attended

*\*Must be an OAEA member to submit proposal & present at the conference.*

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## Wild and wooly!

### Upcycled "Wild Thing" Mittens

Maurice Sendak's "Where the Wild Things Are" inspires students to pour their "wild side" emotions into making a pair of creative costume mittens. The project also encourages "upcycling" by showing them how to turn clothing they no longer wear into something fun and fanciful!

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# Announcements

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## *Higher Education Division Leadership*

Submitted by Patty Bode, Chair of Supervision Division

The OAEA Division of High Education has transitioned in leadership. We thank Clayton Funk of Ohio State University for serving as Chair of that Division for the past two years. On January 1, 2014 our two new Co-chairs started their two-year term through December 31, 2015. We are happy to welcome Juliann B. Dorff and Linda Hoeptner Poling, both from Kent State University to their shared role in leadership of the Higher Education Division. While Juli and Linda are familiar faces around OAEA, we would like to honor their work by way of the introductions below.

Juliann B. Dorff teaches at Kent State University, where she has taught all the courses in the art education sequence with a focus on the Field Experience course. In 2005, Ms. Dorff was recognized for her teaching excellence receiving the Outstanding Teaching Award from Kent State. She is a contributing author in the National Art Education Association text *Understanding Students with Autism Through Art* published in 2010. She is President-Elect of the Special Needs Issues Group of the NAEA.

Linda Hoeptner Poling teaches at Kent State University where she is an Assistant Professor in Art Education. Linda's positions in K-12 teaching provided the foundation for her passion to prepare future art educators. Serving future and current teachers, Linda's highest goal is to help students find their teacher voice, to give it form and a presence defined by confidence in the ability to make a difference in the lives of children. Linda is Past-President, Society for Educating Women (SEW).

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## **Emerging Artists**

This year OAEA brought back the high school exhibition renamed "Emerging Artists." This was an effort to recognize students who may have only taken one art class or are just beginning to explore the arts in high school. The exhibition was displayed at STRS in the middle of September and was on display until the reception on October 12th, 2013. We had about 130 amazing works of art! We were honored to have the teacher of the year, **Sara Green**, speak that morning. Students were recognized with a certificate and a sketchbook from Dick Blick.

Best of show in 5 different media were chosen:

Photography: Samantha Isley, *Emerging*, photography

Drawing: Liz Courtney, *I Imagine*, ink

Mixed Media: Megan Grote, *Spring*, scratchboard with colored ink

Sculpture: Emily Sidle, *Hardball*, nickel, brass, and copper

Painting: Noah Katrinchak, *Sleepy Baby*, acrylic

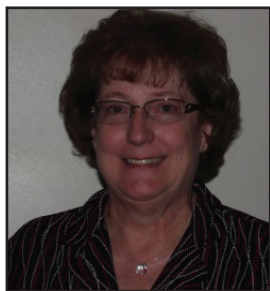
A huge thank you goes out to the educators who encourage this talent across the state!

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### Commercial Exhibition

by Elayne Lowe, OAEA Commercial Exhibits Chair

First, let me say “kudos” to the vendors for a job well done and to let you know that you were a great group to work with. Thank you for attending and sharing your expertise with our OAEA members during the OAEA “Reflecting the Standard” Professional Conference Toledo 2013.

If you were a lucky winner at our luncheon giveaway or were offered discounts at a vendor booth, please take time out of your busy schedule to write and send a thank you note. Many of the vendors contributed gift certificates, materials, books, pottery, or supplies for our classrooms. Vendor contact information can be found in the materials that were inside your conference bag.

Please feel free to send me contact information about companies that you would like to see at other OAEA conferences. Often, companies would like to attend but have a scheduling conflict. I always purchased additional materials at conference for my classroom that I didn’t plan to buy because of the knowledge of the vendors explaining new and/or different ways to use the product.

Elayne Lowe, OAEAexhibitors@gmail.com

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### *Regional Director’s Contact List*

by Alice B. Tavani, OAEA 1st Vice President

Hi, I would like to introduce myself. I am your new 1st Vice President Alice Tavani. I am really excited to be working with the Regional Directors for the next two years. We met in January for a mini RD Boot Camp! There are several new Regional Directors so we took some time to review policies and procedures and make sure they had all of the resources they need to serve their regions. Then we set some goals for ourselves including working on membership numbers and regional activities and events. As much as I LOVE conference, there is so much more to OAEA and the regions have lots to offer you. Here are your fearless Regional Directors so you can contact them:

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South East	Ellen Hadley	ellenhadley@gmail.com
South West	Carrie Barnett	carieabarnett@aol.com
West	Rebecca Molnar	beck61193@aol.com

I am open to comments and suggestions. Just shoot me an e-mail or give me a call!  
atavani@woh.rr.com or 937-776-9176

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Conference In Photos



Conference 2013



# Regional Reports

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## East Central Region

by Chris Bergert

Regional Co-Director

The recent OAEA conference in Toledo, Ohio was a huge success. We had many presenters from our region that hosted wonderful workshops, and our very own Randy Robart presided over his first conference as OAEA President! Julie Fisher was awarded the OAEA OAT Award for the East Central Region, and all in attendance had the opportunity to hear San Francisco artist Brian Singer, also known as “someguy,” lecture on his 1000 Journals Project. I believe all teachers involved would agree this year’s conference was informative, enriching, and exciting. To top it off, East Central posted membership growth as 7 additional art teachers joined our ranks!

East Central had a few leadership positions filled at our annual business meeting. Dan Humphrey, the new Art Teacher at Indian Valley Middle School, will be our Awards Chair. The Emerging Artists Show Chair and Regional Exhibit Chair will be run by a host of people, including Jodi Hupp from Dover High School. Our Student Representative will be Katelyn McAbier and our Technology position will lean on the talents of Sarah Shumaker and Leah Sullivan Frye.

As we look to 2014, there are some exciting workshops and events currently being planned. The University of Akron has agreed to host a workshop and Cook’s Art Supply in Canton will be hosting a new product line and matting/framing workshop. June will be an exciting month as Julie Dorff, from Kent State University, has put together a New York City Bus Trip from June 19-22. Registration is due March 21, 2014. For more information, please contact Julie Dorff at [jdorff@kent.edu](mailto:jdorff@kent.edu).

To make sure you stay in the East Central loop, follow us on Facebook or our blog!  
<http://ecohioarteducationassociation.blogspot.com/>

## Western Region

by Rebecca Molnar

Regional Director

I cannot believe that I am beginning my term as Regional Director. It seems only minutes ago that I became Regional Director Elect! Some of you may know me by face, but not necessarily by name. I have been a member of OAEA for nearly 20 years. Prior to teaching Art, I taught in the area of Special Education for fourteen years. All of my teaching experience has been with the Northridge School System in Dayton, Ohio.

On December 15th, Nancy Vogel hosted our annual Nibble and Network Party. Thank you, Nancy. This is our time to

share wonderful ideas, great conversation, and last but not least, fabulous food! We also use this as an opportunity to drop off artwork for YAM, YPAE shows, and to return past show pieces.

Mark your new 2014 calendar. On February 22nd, we will meet at Cornell Studio Supply for a hand building combo workshop with Erin Lambers. The address is 8290 North Dixie Drive in Vandalia, Ohio. The workshop will begin at 9:00 a.m. and last until 3:00 p.m.

I am pleased to welcome new members to the Western Regional Board. Sarajane Steinecker is our new Regional Director Elect. Mary Zahner is our new Historian. We are still in need of a Student Representative.

This organization is a great asset to all of us. I would have missed out on many opportunities for my students, as well as lasting friendships for myself, had I not become an active member of WOAEA. Please consider stepping forward. You will be so glad that you did.

## Southwest Region

by Carrie Barnett

Regional Director

I hope you had a wonderful holiday season spent with family and friends. I enjoyed my first snow day on December 6th and am hoping for a few more later this winter!

Thank you to those members who attended our first fall gathering in September at Cincinnati’s 21c Museum. We were led on a fantastic tour, thanks to Mark Weisner for the suggestion! Early January saw our next gathering at our annual Nuts ‘n’ Bolts workshop, held at Colerain High School.

There was a change to this year’s YAM/YPAE deadline and many of you worked hard to meet this early deadline. A big thank you to Susan Lawrence for her hard work with this project. Please understand the change was not initiated at the regional level, but was changed at the state level in order to allow more time to prepare the exhibition.

I was excited to see many SW faces in Toledo. I hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as I did. Congratulations to our award nominees: SW-OAT nominees Hilary Carvitti and Shelley Komrska, Distinguished Citizen for Art Education Sophia Cifuentes (nominated by Meggie Bierkan), Distinguished Business for Art Education Visionaries and Voices (nominated by Stacie Bottoclette), and Distinguished Educator for Art Education Susan Bunte (nominated by Jacquelyn Sommer). In addition we had several Division Award nominations: Student Division Derrick Bell, Elementary Division Sherry Middendorf-Fuller, and Secondary Division Carrie Barnett. Good luck to all!

# Regional Reports

## East Region

by Cindy Carnahan, Regional Co-Director

Hello from East! We've been snowed in here in southeast Ohio with a few snow days already under our belts. A good time was had by all at the conference in Toledo, and the winter months are filled with exciting projects for art classes. January is when I always do clay with my students. They look forward to this every year. Seeing students only one day a week means starting and completing the clay piece in one class period. We do it! And they love it!

East celebrated with their fellow art teachers at our annual Christmas party. Shauna Benson hosted the event at her house this year. Everyone enjoyed sharing homemade gifts, lots of yummy foods, and laughs. We also selected the student art that will be showcased at the Youth Art Month Exhibit and the Young People's Art Exhibit in Columbus in March. Each art teacher brought ten pieces to the party and fellow art teachers voted on their favorites to travel to Columbus. The rest of the pieces will be featured in our annual regional Youth Art Month Exhibit in Cambridge, Ohio. The Eastern Ohio Art Guild will host our student art show in their gallery. Students and families always enjoy visiting the exhibit.

In March, Katie Cahill will again be sharing new ideas and products with East members at a workshop. Some members are considering attending the National Art Education Association conference in San Diego. How awesome THAT would be! Stay warm, fellow Ohio art teachers!

## Northwest Region

by Ani Geha and Mary Kay Culver  
Regional Co-Directors

WOW! What a great Toledo Conference this fall!

Thank you to all the Northwest Region volunteers who worked hard to make it an awesome conference! Especially Diane Thorpe, our Local Conference Chair. This past year the Northwest Region has added 65 new members. This was the largest increase in all the regions! Mary Kay and I have had a wonderful experience as Co-Regional Directors. We have learned so much about OAEA and enjoyed our trips to Columbus. We have met so many great art educators from all over the state, including teachers from our area.

We would like to take this time to introduce to you our 2014 NWOAEA Leaders. Our new Regional Director is Jean Imes. Jean is a teacher for Anthony Wayne Schools. Our Regional Director Elect is Ann Hymel. Ann is the owner for FUZED, a glass studio.

We are looking forward to a great year ahead. Look for workshops coming soon!

We hope you had a wonderful Holiday Season and a great year.

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**Erin Johnson**  
Teacher: Sara Green  
Miamisburg High School



## Regional Reports

### Northeast Region

by Cyndi Lowry and Mary Weimer Green  
Regional Co-Directors

Just One More Thing.....

We've had an exciting year in 2013 and in 2014 more opportunities are on the horizon! Now is the time to plan for this year. Consider adding one more opportunity to show student work this year in order to further engage your students and increase your visibility of your program. I know that many of you are thinking, "I can't possibly add one more thing!" We all feel overwhelmed at times, but showing your students' work is not only great for the self esteem of your students, it's great PR for your program! YAM, YPAE, Scholastic, the Singer's Club Competition for NE High School students, Governor's and OAEA's High School art show are just a few of the opportunities to expand exposure for your school's art program. If we as educators don't go the extra mile to exhibit the results of our teaching (and our students' learning), how can we hope to keep the art education alive?

Utilize the OAEA to develop collaborations with other art teachers and learn about opportunities in areas outside of your school system! The Northeast region has many opportunities to meet other teachers who have similar interests. Participation in one of Northeast's workshops is also valuable for both learning and networking! Don't forget to keep an eye on our Facebook page (OAEA Northeast Region) for the latest information on workshops and exhibits that you and your students can participate in.

Expand your reach, raise your visibility, and let everyone know what a valuable asset you are! Just add one more thing.



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**Alex Demarke**

Teacher: Sara Green  
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### North Central Region

Patience Lewis and Carmone Macfarlane  
Regional Co-Directors

I always like to think of time after conference as crunch time. There are so many events happening at home with our families, with our friends, holiday expectations, and obligations with school that sometimes we forget to take a little time for ourselves. As ARTS educators we need to remember to nurture our creativity! It is essential to our professions. A huge thank you to Sherrie Dennis for helping us do that recently with a wonderful wire wrapping workshop in December! It was fabulous and the jump start that we needed to get us through all the holiday madness. Even though the holidays are finished, and the snow has finally started to settle, the North Central region is still a flurry with lots of monthly opportunities for professional development and educator gatherings to help inspire you. We have workshops or professional social events scheduled every month in 2014, with something that should appeal to everyone. Everything from hands-on workshops to coffeehouse discussions with relevant professional development topics to peer support and local field trips. If you have an idea or want to host a workshop or just want to volunteer for a leadership role, please send us an email at [ncoaea@gmail.com](mailto:ncoaea@gmail.com) and we will try to work it in! You may also forward photos for the NC website or Facebook page to the email. Check the website [www.ncoaea.weebly.com](http://www.ncoaea.weebly.com) for the 2014 NCOAEA calendar and updates and also the North Central OAEA Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/NCOAEA](http://www.facebook.com/NCOAEA).



# Division Reports

## Secondary Division

by Sara Green, Division Chair

Hello, Secondary! I love mail and my address is jgreen8@woh.rr.com. Please send any of the following to add interest, depth, and meaning to Secondary OAEA: photos of student art work, you and students in action, shots of your art space, displays of your own art, or pose a question for discussion. I'll find ways to share them this year. Send your name, email, phone, and region to me if you were unable to attend conference or just update your profile on the OAEA site! Our Secondary meeting at the Toledo Conference was great! There was a chance to share tips. Did you know that Murphy's Oil Soap will clean dried paint from brushes or that rubbing hand lotion into acrylic paint on fabric will help to clean it? Use dry erase crayons to mark the T axis on grids when doing portraits. Send your hint to share. Please consider presenting at conference or hosting a regional workshop. Secondary teachers asked for the following subjects via survey: digital art, using technology, strategies for success in art shows, juggling an art career with teaching, sculpture, integrated lessons, hands-on anything, teaching art history, AP, classroom management, and technique-oriented sessions. Presenting is a great way to make our PD even better, add to your résumé, build leadership, and a great way to be involved in OAEA. Get involved regionally or at state level. We are OAEA and I am very thankful to be a member. It is rewarding, inspiring, and fun.

## Higher Ed Division

by Clayton Funk, Division Chair

Dr. Patty Bode, Visiting Associate Professor, Ohio State University  
OAEA Chair of Supervision Division  
and  
Dr. Clayton Funk, Associate Professor, Ohio State University,  
Outgoing Chair of OAEA Higher Education Division

### Questions and Concerns about edTPA

In Toledo, at the luncheon meeting of the Divisions of Supervision and Higher Education, we held a lively discussion of issues surrounding the edTPA. The web site <http://edtpa.aacte.org/> hosted by AACTE (American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education) states "a new performance-based assessment to measure the classroom readiness of teachers now is fully operational and ready for use across the country. The assessment, edTPA™, was developed by hundreds of teachers and teacher educators in a process orchestrated by the Stanford Center for Assessment, Learning and Equity (SCALE), with support from AACTE." While the OAEA members of our Divisions of Supervision and Higher Education certainly support the need for rigorous and meaningful teacher evaluation, the collective conversation expressed concerns about lack of clarity and questions about

relevance regarding some of the content in edTPA. Members pointed out that edTPA "cut scores" were just announced the week prior to our OAEA conference. The general cut score is determined by SCALE to be 42. The high stakes nature of the test is already influencing teacher educators' and our curriculum. The edTPA score will be used to rank teacher education programs in universities and colleges for this current academic year of 2013-2014. The understanding (but not finalized announcement) is that edTPA scores will be a licensure requirement for next year's teacher education candidates graduating in 2015. We see a need for support around the multi-faceted concerns of edTPA. The Supervision and Higher Education Divisions intend to be a means of support and communication in these challenges.

## Retired Division

by Susan Ayers, Division Chair

Our Retired Division meeting in Toledo was well attended and productive. A sharing session revealed that we are involved with the arts communities in our towns, making art, teaching again, traveling, and exploring other ways to use our talents. We also are enjoying time with family and grandchildren. The biggest smiles came from those announcing they are still figuring it out because they are newly retired! Generally, our rapidly expanding division agrees that organizing life with no bell schedule is a little haphazard but great!

As more members retire, Elizabeth Thomas suggested that more offerings for retirees be added to the conference schedule. We agreed that remain vital to OAEA, retirees must increase our presence, especially in ways pertinent to our divisional membership. In that spirit, several members agreed to develop presentations for next year. Some possibilities are a round table discussion to inspire our creative spirits, drawing on Jan Brasier's experience teaching art on cruise ships. Three cheers for Nancy Dyer who not only volunteered to make a presentation but will start up a Retired Division section of the Website! RAH! RAH! RAH!

Kurt Reichert was nominated for OAEA Retired Division Educator of the Year for 2014. Kurt has many years of service to our association and in retirement continues as Historian, Fellows Chair and though he has moved from Mentor to Columbus, hosts events for his new Central Region colleagues.

Don't forget to check with Nancy Magnuson, Membership Chair, about that lifetime membership!

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# Committee and Board Notes

## 1st VP

Yolanda R. Brown, Past Vice President

Greetings OAEA Members,

I hope everyone is enjoying the bounty of this grand anniversary year — 2014. Congratulations to the amazing Alice Tavani in her new role as 1st VP. All the best to Alice and the audacious new and continuing Regional Directors.

As the OAEA board embarks upon the exciting work of 2014, I offer a few musings on serving our community of art teachers:

1. Remember that people want leaders who can deliver a balance between knowledge (the head) and wisdom (the heart).
2. Trust and transparency are the real and true desire of the people we serve.
3. Anybody can say they are a leader and don a title, but the significance of being a great leader is that people are willing to follow because they know you are dedicated to serving others, you inspire hope and nurture opportunity that feeds everyone.
4. Do not allow power to stand in the way of honesty, authenticity, and being genuinely loving with people. These simple human acts will never fail you.

With a new adventure ahead of me, I can only hope that all the OAEA members enjoy a peaceful, productive and prosperous year.

My wish for you is that...

You will experience the transformative power of learning and the creating your own artwork. Through immersion in your own creativity, you will be lead to breakthroughs on a personal level, which will fuel your professional practice.

You will gain greater confidence this year in your role as teacher and leader by being encouraged to think like a teacher and as you confidently embrace the leader in you. Be not dismayed by SLOs, growth = merit pay, and other oversights that seem to insult or threaten you. You are the EXPERT!

You will be empowered by being part of the magic that can only happen in a bonded, dynamic, creative community of teachers who are devoted to each other's growth and success. As an OAEA member you are laying the groundwork for an ongoing community of support that will sustain you in your continued expansion long past the days in the classroom.

You will be given practical nuts and bolts information about how to keep hope alive in your school and community for art education and all the arts. Get involved with OAEA in your region. Join an artist group in your community or take an art class once a quarter. There is no need to be alone, when you can fellowship with like-minded creatives that love making

art and teaching. Education is not dead... Drop any poverty consciousness you have right now and focus your energy on things that fill your heart and head in a positive manner.

You will develop a strong grounding in the art of leadership for your art, your art program, and your communities' need for the arts. This essential work includes learning how to talk and write about your role as an art teacher. Develop a "quick elevator ride" profile about who you are as an art teacher and why that matters to the world. You will be surprised how many friends and supporters you will gain.

You will always be an advocate and cheerleader for your students. Declaring loudly that you and your students are more than data. You make it possible that one day your students will lead our nation with a loving and creative heart.

T. S. Eliot said that "Anxiety is the hand maiden of creativity." Art teachers in Ohio have a good supply of both anxiety and creativity. Let these twin impulses be our fuel. In 2014 let's not ruminate on the rules of a game we did not create, but instead innovate and collaborate to create a legion of remarkable creatives for Ohio.

## Professional Development

by Juliann B. Dorff

Wow! What an awesome conference! Fifty-four OAEA members used the conference as an opportunity to earn graduate credit through the University of Dayton and countless members earned Professional Development Units simply by attending and participating in the conference. Our state conference is the premiere event each year for art educators across the state and it is always an opportunity to acquire great new ideas for our classrooms, keep up to date on the latest ideas in our field and get energized by celebrating our profession. Make plans now for next year's conference scheduled for November 5 - 8 in Columbus, Ohio.

And if you are looking for some excitement this summer (and an opportunity to earn some PDUs), join us on our trip to New York City! We will be departing from Kent State University on Thursday morning, June 19, and returning on Sunday evening, June 22, 2014. You can go just for the fun of it and spend all your time on your own, exploring museums, checking out the galleries, walking through Central Park and stopping for a beer at the Boat House, jogging on the Chelsea Highline, and having some quiet reflection time at the 9/11 Memorial. Or you can earn PDUs. For this, we have a more specific itinerary planned, designed with plenty of time for personal exploration. For more information check out the flyer available on the OAEA website or contact me directly at 330.554.2770 or [jdorff@kent.edu](mailto:jdorff@kent.edu). Gather up a group of your fellow artists and let's head to the center of the art world, NYC!



# Committee and Board Notes

## Fellows

by Kurt reichert

At our recent conference three very hardworking members of OAEA were inducted into the OAEA Distinguished Fellows. The following was printed in the Fellows Brochure used on the night of their induction. Congratulations to Barrie Archer, Donna Collins, and Elayne Lowe.

Barrie S. Archer is retired from teaching art after 29 years in the classroom in Massillon and Lisbon. She is currently an artist-in-residence at the Museum of Ceramics in East Liverpool, Ohio.

Donna S. Collins serves as the Executive Director of OAAE and OCA. During her tenure in those positions she has been awarded more than \$2,000,000 in grant awards and event sponsorships for her organizations. Her statewide work includes more than 40 speaking engagements annually

Jean Elayne Oliver Lowe has retired this year to complete 40 years teaching visual art in Lisbon, Ohio. She is currently involved as the OAEA Commercial Exhibits Manager.

## 2nd VP

Laura Tawil

The energy YOU generated during the Public Relations and Advocacy Committee's "Speed ARTing" event on the Friday-Frenzy night at the Toledo Conference is still buzzing. Do you feel it? Are you thinking about what you're going to screen next year? Have you thought of 58 more things to "say" in the photobooth?

This event was designed to give you participant-experience in some pretty fun advocacy/ awareness/support-raising activities. It is THIS inspiration, THIS excitement, THIS momentum that must continue. Now that you know how to be a participant you are tasked with carrying-on with one of the ideas. If you need a reason to organize an advocacy activity, then here's one: plan something for Youth Art Month. Share what you are doing. Post on the OAEA Facebook page. Email a picture and caption to me and I'll post it for you (oaealt@cox.net).

The committee would like to thank the following volunteers for their support during Speed ARTing: Georgann Blair, Donna Collins, Juliann Dorff, Mary Green, Sue Kaufman, Leslie Koelsch, Erin Kraly, Cyndi Lowry, Suzanne Mitolo, Trina Parrish, Mel Rainey, Randy Robart, Sandy Stanley, Jen Thompson, and Adam Wagoner.

Thank you to these PR/Advocacy Committee Chairs for their years of service. The following Chairs have rotated out of the committee at the end of 2013: Joyce Fogle (E), Anne Dye, and Elizabeth Daugherty (C).

Congratulations to Martha Hill Carroll (SW) for being appointed 2nd Vice President and Committee Chair to complete the final year of this term in progress.

Welcome to these new PR/ Advocacy Chairs: Heather Beauchamp (E), Matt Young (C), T.B.A. (SW)

Continuing on in 2014: Terri Bradshaw and Michelle Rosette (EC), Mary Haas (NC), Dana Ceritto (NE), Matt Frey (NW), Samantha Emmmler (SE), Bonita Taggart (W).

  
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