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President's Message

Garrett Guillozet, MPA, R.S., REHS, AEMT Franklin County Public Health

The State of Our Association:

As we enter into another year of working towards furthering environmental public health in Ohio, it is important to look back at our past. Our



association, not unlike others across the state, has experienced various successes and shortcomings. Our membership and finances have fluctuated over the years. However, I am pleased to inform you that we continue to see membership improve year after year, and our finances remain stable. Our membership currently stands at just over 600 members, and the board has worked hard over the last several years to ensure a cash reserve to cover all of our liabilities.

Additionally, we have worked hard to ensure that our voices and concerns are being heard, and that common sense solutions prevail. This work is never finished. However, it is understood that this work cannot occur without hearing concerns from our members. OEHA is more than an association that exists to put on conferences; we exist to further our goal of protecting and promoting our profession. This goal can only be accomplished with strategic input and direction from our members. Through your input, we have helped to provide direct feedback on various pieces of legislation, rules, and program guidance. While not all of our committees are active on a regular basis, they are filled with many of you who specialize in one program or another. These committees are a valuable resource to the association, board,

and our lobbyist. Often times, as politics go, we need a quick turnaround on information. I cannot understate how thankful we are to have members who are willing to serve and quickly respond when called upon.

As preparations are under way for our 73rd Annual Education Conference, I cannot help but to have a great deal of appreciation for our members across the state. The AEC and District Conferences require a great amount of preparation and planning. Our Vice President and District Directors work hard to provide us with meaningful and insightful conferences. The planning committees work to solicit engaging speakers on a wide variety of topics. As always, I encourage you to provide speaker suggestions and topics to the planning committee for consideration. While we work hard to obtain external speakers, I encourage you to speak at the AEC or your district conference. Many of us have stories, skills, and tools that are valuable and the conferences are a great platform to share this information!

In addition to our conferences, I am pleased to announce that we now have a new section on our website to share information among our members. The OEHA Program Sharing section, found under the Members tab on our website, will be used to share guidance documents, policies, tools, resolutions, and training information for a wide variety of topics and programs. All across the state, there are members who have created excellent support documents, and our hope is that we can build a database to share these items with our membership. We are all in this together, and through the OEHA Program Sharing site, I hope can work to strengthen all of our programs across the state. I encourage you to

submit these items to us via info@ohieha.org.

Many times, you hear the board speak about our lobbying efforts at the statehouse through our lobbying firm. We have worked hard to keep members engaged and to solicit ideas, questions, and concerns that can be addressed via our lobbyists. However, more often than not, when we solicit this information, very little is received by the board. As we continue to engage the new administration and prepare for the next state budget, now is the time to start to solidify our position, and work to introduce any necessary changes that are desired by our members. As has been mentioned, please be sure to share your concerns regarding laws or rules with your

district director, or by emailing the board at info@ohioeha.org.

In closing, as we move toward the AEC, I want to remind you that we will be voting for new board officers. This year, we will be voting for President, Vice President, and Treasurer at the AEC. If you are interested in serving as an elected officer of the board, or would like to nominate a member, please email us at info@ohioeha.org.

It has been a privilege to serve as president, and I look forward to seeing you all at the AEC.

-Garrett A. Guillozet, MPA, RS/REHS, AEMT



Featured District Director's Message: Northwest

Shannon Self, R.S. Delaware General Health District

Allow me to re-introduce myself. See, this is my second go as NW District Director. My last directorship took place 10 years ago. While many things have changed since



then, some things have stayed the same. I have watched OEHA evolve from a mere membership group to a full-blown legislative power house. Membership has ebbed and flowed. The one thing that is constant is all our members' passion for the profession of Environmental Public Health.

I am in my 20th year of Environmental Public Health. 15 years I have spent at the Delaware General Health District. While most of my time at DGHD has consisted of food safety inspections, I have taken on a new role in the last 2 years of becoming the primary organizer and developer of our educational programs in food protection and public safety.

Education and training are the key to success. That is why it is so vitally important to continue the support of OEHA so that we can educate our members and even non-members so they will be best equipped to perform their jobs. Conferences are more than just a place to get

CEU's. They are a place to make connections. Members branch out and network with others in the State to learn new and better ways of performing the day-to-day duties. OEHA is the one and only support group



solely for Registered Sanitarians in the State of Ohio.

I could go on about how the NW planning committee is diligently at work to plan the NW Fall conference. But the NW planning committee does more than that. We talk about our successes, failures and on-going problems experienced in this unique field. Those conversations are what spark action on the OEHA Board.

OEHA does not act on the personal feelings of just one person. We act as a collective looking out for the best interest of our members in all decisions. While we can't make 100% of the membership happy 100% of the time, we can do our best to advocate for the majority. Remember, OEHA Board members are all volunteers. There are many opportunities for you to get involved. I urge you to volunteer- give it a try! You won't regret it.



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2019 Annual Education Conference April 11, 2019

TIME	SESSION TITLE	SPEAKER	AFFILATION	ROOM	TOPIC
7:30 - 8:30	Registration			Upper Terrace	
8:30 - 8:35	VP Welcome	Sarah Burkholder		Cedar/Alder	
8:35 - 8:45	President's Address	Garrett Guillozet		Cedar/Alder	
8:45 - 9:00	OEHA Business Session	Garrett Guillozet		Cedar/Alder	
9:00 - 10:00	Pursuing Health Equity Through Environmental Health	Chip Allen	ODH	Cedar/Alder	Public Health
10:00 -10:10	Break & Coffee				
	OEPA's Water Pollution Control Loan Fund	Jerry Rouch	Ohio EPA	Cedar	Sewage
10:10 -11:10	Strategic Planning: The Do's and Don'ts to Implementation	Eric Zgodzinski	Toledo Lucas Co	Alder	Leadership
Concurrent Session	Hepatitis A Outbreak	Jennifer Wentzel/Erik Balster/Josh Lucas	Dayton- Montgomery/Preble	Buckeye	Food
	Cⅅ	Jeff Gibbs/Aaron Shear	Franklin Co./OEPA	Oak	Solid Waste
	SIT Class			German Village	General
11:10 -11:15	Room Change				
	Basics of UV Disinfection	Adam Arnold	Tangent Company	Cedar	Sewage
11:15 -12:15	Integrated Mosquito Management	Paul Bauman	Toledo Area Sanitary District	Alder	Vector
Concurrent Sessions	Sanitation for Food Safety, Using Sanitizer Test Strips	Melissa Vaccaro	Paster Training, Inc	Buckeye	Food
	Float Tank Sanitation	Ashkahn Jahromi	Float On	Oak	Pools
	SIT Class			German Village	General
12:15 - 1:15	Buffet Lunch			Cedar/Alder	
1:15 - 1:45	Legislative Update	Rep from Hicks Partners	Hicks Partners	Cedar/Alder	
1:45 - 1:50	Room Change				
	Bayesian Network Modeling	Dr. Nicholas V. Scott	Riverside Research	Cedar	Water
1:50 - 2:50	Preparing for Disasters: What I Don't Know?	Larry Cleek	Dayton-Montgomery Co.	Alder	Preparedness
Concurrent Sessions	Food Variances	Tim Tewksbury	ODA	Buckeye	Food
	Underground World of Body Art	Sarah Badenhop	Columbus PH	Oak	Body Art
	SIT Class			German Village	General
2:50 - 2:55	Room Change				
	Analysis and Monitoring of Algal Toxins from Harmful Algal Blooms	Heath Mash, PhD	US EPA	Cedar	Water
	Customer Service and Unique Situations	Jeremy Hessel	Hamilton Co	Alder	Leadership
2:55 - 3:55 Concurrent Sessions	Creating a Food Safety Ninja	Paul Sromp/Cady Stromp/Davene Sorocco-Smith	Lake Co. GHD	Buckeye	Food
0000010	Overview of Ohio EPA's Beneficial Use Program	Harry Sarvis, PhD	OEPA	Oak	Solid Waste
	SIT Class			German Village	General
3:55 - 4:05	Break & Refreshments				
4:05 - 5:05	The Ohio Ethics Law: Can I Do That?	Susan Willeke	OH Ethics Comm.	Cedar/Alder	Public Health
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Total Possible CEUs: 6.5 (2 General Sessions, 4 Breakout Sessions, and 0.5Hr Legislative Update)

2019 Annual Education Conference April 12, 2019

TIME	SESSION TITLE	SPEAKER	AFFILIATION	ROOM	TOPIC
7:45 - 8:45	Registration			Upper Terrace	
8:45 - 8:50	OEHA VP Follow-Up	Sarah Burkholder		Cedar/Alder	
9:00 - 10:00	Ice Hockey, The Food Code, and Professional Relationships	Vince Radke	NEHA	Cedar/Alder	Public Health
10:00 -10:10	Break & Coffee				
	Ending Legionnaires Disease: An Audacious or Achievable Goal?	Janet Stout, PhD	Special Pathogens Laboratory	Cedar	Water
10:10 -11:10	Overview of Emergency Animal Disease Response in Ohio	Dr. Mark Lyons	USDA	Alder	Vector
Concurrent Session	Creating a Food Safety Education Program	Suzanne Hrusch	ССВН	Buckeye	Food
	Methane Monitoring	TBA	OEPA	Oak	Solid Waste
11:10 -11:15	SIT Class			German Village	General
11:10 -11:15	Room Change				
	Emerging Contaminants	Bonnie Buthker/Mike Proffitt	OEPA	Cedar	Water
11:15 -12:15	Tick Surveillance in Response to Increasing Lyme Disease in Ohio	Leeanne Garrett	ODH	Alder	Vector
Concurrent Sessions	Cost Methodology	Jamie Higley	ODH	Buckeye	Food
	Creating a Culture of Quality in Public Health: Accreditation and Beyond	Julie Goode/ Matthew Tyler	Dayton- Montgomery	Oak	Leadership
	SIT Class			German Village	General
12:15 - 1:30	Buffet Lunch & Visit Exhibitors			Cedar/Alder	
	Advances in Pre-Treatment	Adam Arnold	Tangent Company	Cedar	Sewage
1:30 - 2:30 Concurrent	History of Public Health	Eric Zgodzinski	Toledo Lucas	Alder	Public Health
Session	Training SIT's	Suzanne Hrusch/ Shannon Self	CCBH/Delaware Co.	Buckeye	Leadership
	Prairie Vegetation for Community Health	John Blakeman	Meadow Environments	0ak	EH
2.22 2.25	SIT Class			German Village	General
2:30 - 2:35	Room Change				
	Collaborative Approach to Stormwater	Brad Johnson/ Jeremy Hessel	Hamilton Co. PH	Cedar	Water
2:35 - 3:35	Rabies Prevention and Control	Dr. Amber Singh	ODH	Alder	Vector
Concurrent Session	It Must Be Something I AteTwo Outbreaks at One Facility	Katie R/Erin N	Cleveland Dept. PH	Buckeye	Food
	TBA	TBA	TBA	Oak	TBA
2.25 2.45	SIT Class			German Village	General
3:35 - 3:45	Break & Refreshments				
3:45 - 4:45	Responding to Human Trafficking in Ohio	Amanda Friesel	Salvation Army	Cedar/Alder	Public Health
4:45 - 5:00	Closing remarks, closing of business meeting, raffle prizes	Garrett Guillozet		Cedar/Alder	General

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Don't miss this year's fundamentals course! The classes will be held during the Annual Education Conference at Doubletree Hotel in Worthington on April 11th & 12th, 2019. We believe this is an excellent opportunity for those currently studying for the RS exam or students considering taking the exam. The course will cover important topics of environmental public health aimed at preparing attendees for both their careers and the exam.

New this year, SITs will be able to register to receive the official NEHA REHS/RS Study Guide 4th edition. OEHA will have 30 books available at a discounted rate with class registration and attendance. Once supplies are gone we won't have any more books for the year so sign up early!

What do attendees have to say?

 "I completed my bachelor['s] degree quite a long time ago and just recently got a job with

- our county Environmental Health Dept. This was a great way to refresh my memory from those courses, as well a[s] help me prepare for the exam" 2018 Attendee
- "[T]hey were all very informative" 2018 Attendee
- "I thought all sessions were beneficial" 2018 Attendee
- "Overall, I thought the class was very helpful in getting to know what material was most important to study for the test" 2017 Attendee
- "[S]peakers were awesome. [R]eally appreciate them helping all of us out" 2017 Attendee
- "Class was well organized and very informative" 2017 Attendee
- "Very helpful to have a good intro on a variety of topics" 2016 Attendee
- "The speakers were very knowledgeable and helpful" 2016 Attendee



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AOHC Leadership Essentials for Health District Success April 23-24, 2019 Columbus, Ohio

AOHC Health Commissioner University (session 1) April 30, 2019 Columbus, Ohio

Public Health Combined Conference May 13-15, 2019 Worthington, Ohio

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2019 AOHC Fall Conference September 16-18, 2019 Dublin, Ohio

AOHC New Employee Training October 24, 2019 Lewis Center, Ohio

AOHC Leadership Essentials for Health District Success November 5, 2019 Columbus, Ohio

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Butler County Health District

Public Health Technician Canton City Public Health

Public Health Sanitarian Fairfield Department of Health

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