



Between Bursars

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The President's Corner

By: Kathy Smith
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Another academic year has begun! Our students arrived excited and fretful as they anticipate the challenges and opportunities of their education. I am always uplifted by their excitement and enthusiasm during the first few weeks. The bursar's office plays an important part in student education and retention. We have the opportunity to teach financial responsibility and accountability while guiding students and parents through the maze of regulations and policies.

I am fortunate to be part of a small nursing college, which gives me the opportunity to get to know many students and some parents. When my phone rings and I recognize the number as belonging to a parent who calls frequently, I sometimes have to remind myself that I was once one of those parents. I have been extremely blessed with a supportive husband, three wonderful grown children, a gem of a son-in-law, and three of the most perfect grandchildren God ever created. Many of our students are not as blessed. I am on the Scholarship Committee of our college and read several hundred essays of scholarship applicants over the summer. Many were heartbreaking and many made me feel so small and insignificant. The challenges students have overcome and the many ways they are contributing to the community are inspiring.

I am also fortunate to be part of the Ohio Bursar Association and have the opportunity to be a member of the Board. Every member of the Board works hard for the betterment of the organization. Change is not

easy and never instantaneous, but we are always moving forward in the best interest of the OBA membership. Your involvement is essential and the Board is only as effective as membership participation. "If you think you're too small to make a difference, you haven't been in bed with a mosquito."-Anita Roddick.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our fall meeting on November 4th at University Plaza Hotel. Along with round table discussions, we will have updates from COHEAO and the Ohio Attorney General's office. You will also hear about the wonderful and exciting plans that Christy Egler has for the Spring 2011 conference.

Upcoming OBA Meetings 2010-2011

Fall meeting - November 4, 2010
Spring Conference - April 6-8, 2011

DID YOU KNOW?

There are over 4,000 accredited colleges and universities in the U.S. which enroll over 15 million students and grants over two million degrees a year.

New Member Highlight

Stephanie Blausey began her career at the University of Toledo ten years ago as the Collection's Manager in the Bursar's Office and is currently the Director of Loans, Special Accounts & Cashiering within the Treasurer's Office.

Stephanie manages eleven team members and several student workers between both offices which includes two accountants. Prior to coming to the University; she worked for a local financial institution where her responsibilities were to manage the consumer and mortgage delinquency portfolios that included secondary marketing reporting, repossession and liquidation, private mortgage insurance claims, and property preservation prior to and following foreclosure sales. Stephanie has been in the collections environment for nineteen years and thoroughly enjoys every minute of it and has many fun & scary stories to share from her experiences.

Her wonderful husband Ron works for Huntington Bank as a Branch manager and she has three amazing daughters; Autumn who is a nursing student at UT, Hannah who will be nine in October, and Jordan Olivia who is seven. Stephanie enjoys cooking, hiking, collecting scary Halloween decorations, reading, and raising funds and awareness for people with disabilities. She is looking forward to serving as the 4 Yr Public Representative.

Fall Meeting Agenda Board of Trustees Meeting November 3, 2010 3:00 pm (Officers and Trustees only)

General Session Meeting Agenda November 4, 2010

9:00 - 10:00	Continental Breakfast
10:00 - 10:30	Business Meeting
10:30 - 11:30	Ohio Attorney General's Office Presentation by: Shelly Gelbaum, Assistant Supervisor
11:30 - 12:15	Roundtable Discussion
12:15 - 1:15	Lunch (OBA provided)
1:15 - 2:30	COHEAO Updates Presentation by Wes Huffman Legislative Director
2:30 - 3:30	Roundtable Discussion
3:30	Adjourn

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Professional Development Opportunities

**Ohio Bursars Association
21st Spring Conference**
Ohio Dominican University
April 6 - 8, 2011
www.ohiobursars.org

NACUBO Annual Meeting
Tampa, Florida
July 9 - 12, 2011
www.nacubo.org

**PDG 31st National Student Loan Receivables
Collection Conference**
Scottsdale, Arizona
Nov 7 - 10, 2010
www.prodev.com

**CACUBO
Annual Meeting**
Indianapolis, IN
October 3 - 5, 2010
www.cacubo.org

Hotel Information for Fall meeting

UNIVERSITY PLAZA HOTEL

3110 Olentangy River Road
Columbus, OH 43202
1-877-677-5292
Room Rate is \$96
(ask for college rate)