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## OHIO SUMMER INSTITUTE

Who are these people and what are they doing??



*Photo and Article submitted by Brad Myers, University Registrar, The Ohio State University*

### OACRAO Summer Institute, 2016, is a Success

The third installment of the OACRAO Summer Institute brought together 27 participants from 18 different OACRAO institutions and 6 faculty for 3 days of information sessions, discussions, networking, team building and fun!

Feedback from the participants has been that the experience was both informative and enjoyable. It was held at the Mohican State Park lodge, where our OACRAO Annual Meeting will happen in the fall of 2017. With sessions focused toward newer registrar professionals and staff newer to their current roles, discussions included topics, such as, the role of the registrar and the registrar's office on campus, leadership/becoming a leader, current issues for registrars' offices, ethics, building effective staff teams, and emerging trends and technology.

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**Call for UPDATES!** Submit news to Donna Evans ([devans@antiochcollege.edu](mailto:devans@antiochcollege.edu)) by the end of the first week of the month for that month's publication.

## RECORDS AND REGISTRATION COMMITTEE

*By: Stephanie Giese, Chair, Records and Registration Committee*

*Senior Scheduling Coordinator, The Ohio State University*

The Records and Registration Committee works hard each year to provide relevant and engaging sessions regarding issues that are affecting today's registrar's offices in Ohio. The scope of topics covered by this committee include academic calendars, grading policies and practices, records management, registration techniques, and scheduling. We hope that you will enjoy the sessions that we will have available for this year's conference, which range from Title IX compliance to co-curricular programs, and much more! A full listing of session topics can be viewed on the OACRAO website [here](#).

We will be looking for several new members to join the Records and Registration Committee next year, so consider volunteering to be a part of this great group of professional colleagues. You will meet once a year with the other program committees to brainstorm ideas, and then you will be responsible for organizing 1-2 sessions. It is a great way to network and get to know your colleagues around the state while discussing important topics that concern all of us. To see a list of this year's committee members, click [here](#).

## CAMPUS NEWS

The School of Pharmacy at Cedarville University has been granted full accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). This accomplishment has been more than a decade in the making. Doctor of Pharmacy accreditation follows a 5-year evaluation of the graduate professional program with a culminating visit by an ACPE site evaluation team in March and approval by the ACPE Board in July, 2016.

The inaugural dean of the school, Dr. Marc Sweeney, and the team of faculty and leadership have succeeded in bringing the first class through three years of pre-pharmacy and four years of graduate coursework, clinical training, and research to the inaugural graduation in May 2016 and now full accreditation. Accreditation is retroactive and thus, the inaugural class has graduated from an accredited school of pharmacy.

*Submitted by:  
Fran Campbell  
University Registrar*





## OHIO SUMMER INSTITUTE..cont from page 1

One of the team building segments was a scavenger hunt in which each of the groups had to work together to find a set of items at and around the lodge. Some of the items on the list didn't even exist! Pictured on page 1 is one team finding a very small pinecone; which passed the test, the group pictured won the contest.

We tentatively plan to offer the Summer Institute again in 2018.



"I'm glad we were able to learn from such experienced and knowledgeable professionals...It was a very memorable retreat ..."



"I am very appreciative of the knowledge that you shared with us."

# Rhett Rybarczyk

## Oberlin College

### Tell us about yourself-anything you want to share!

I am a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University with undergraduate degrees in Sociology and Black World Studies, and a graduate of Ohio University with a Master's degree in Organizational Communications. Prior to joining the staff at Oberlin College, I began my admissions career at Ohio Wesleyan where I was an Assistant Director and Associate Director of Admissions. Growing up in Oberlin, Ohio, I always knew I wanted to return one day and possibly work for the college. I got that chance the summer of 2014 and have enjoyed every minute working in my hometown.



*Photo submitted by Liz Clerkin, Oberlin College*

### What do you do at Oberlin College?

As the Assistant Director of Admissions, I recruit and work with students from southern California and Lorain County. Outside of my recruitment territory, I work closely with our Campus Visit Programs where I help plan all on-campus events, coordinate our hosting program, manage all group visitors to campus, and oversee our daily counselor schedule. However, the most rewarding part of my job is connecting with students and learning why Oberlin College is the ideal place to spend four years for college.

### How did you come to your current position?

During my undergraduate years, I had the opportunity to travel to Africa where I held two internships with local NGOs in Ghana and Tanzania. I was able to take what I learned in the classroom and apply it in the real world, a true testament to a liberal arts education. I quickly realized after graduation that admissions would be a great fit for me.

### Outside of work, what do you like to do?

I enjoy the outdoors and spending time with my family. My wife and I (along with our dog Willow) enjoy bike rides, walks around the neighborhood, and long hikes at local parks. We are expecting our first child this September and are excited for all the new adventures that come along with raising a family! I'm also a die hard Cleveland sports fan. The city of Cleveland has waited a long time to bring a championship back to Northeast Ohio and it was truly special to witness it unfold this past June.

### What is on your bucket list?

I've always wanted to travel to southern Africa to see the coastline of Cape Town and Victoria Falls in Zambia. My wife and I would also like to travel to all 50 states together. We have a solid start with 20 checked off our list and a new baby carrier so our little guy can join in on the fun!

# Scholarship Committee Updates

Submitted by: Tracy R. Galway, MPA, Assistant to the University Registrar, Ohio University

**T**his October, OACRAO will award three students with a \$1,000 scholarship each. Please encourage your student workers within the Registrar's, Admissions, Student Services, and Enrollment Management offices to apply!

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria for scholarship eligibility:

- Current enrollment, at least half-time, at an OACRAO affiliated college or university
- Current employment in one of the offices listed above
- Good academic standing

**Scholarship Application:** Will open Monday, October 3 through Friday, October 30, 2016. An announcement will be made closer to the opening.

The committee will review the applicants primarily based on the following responses:

- \* Please list your current involvement in leadership and service activities including the specific years of active participation.
- \* Select one of the leadership or service activities listed previously and describe in detail how it has shaped you as a leader.
- \* Which part of your higher education experience do you feel will benefit you most after you earn your degree?

The proceeds earned during the annual conference will fund the scholarships awarded. Monetary donations are also appreciated at the conference or through <https://www.gofundme.com/oacrao> (live now).

Please see below for ways that you may participate at the conference:

- **Silent Auction:** Bid on a number of baskets, tickets and other items and hope to outbid your colleagues! Hovering and good competition with your fellow OACRAO members is encouraged. Cash, checks and credit cards will be accepted. A few gift card items in the auction this year: wine tasting events at Ohio wineries, manicure, Jeni's Ice Cream, 2 seats on a brewpub tour, Jet Pack Water Adventures, Roscoe Village Tours, and more to come!!!
- **The 50/50 Raffle:** Each ticket is \$1 or you can purchase 6 tickets for \$5. An arm's length of tickets (you choose the arm) is a great bargain at \$10. Drawing time is yet to be determined, but you must be present to win.
- **Wine & Beer Grab:** We're adding beer to this year's grab! This "pick and grab" is only \$20. It is as simple as: make a \$20 donation to the scholarship fund and pick a cork for a wine grab or bottle cap for a beer grab that is numbered to identify which wine or beer you get to take home.

Contact Tracy Galway ([galwayt@ohio.edu](mailto:galwayt@ohio.edu)) about the scholarship application or Beth Stiles ([stiles.96@osu.edu](mailto:stiles.96@osu.edu)) about the conference events and silent auction donations.



### Charity drive for the flood victims in West Virginia!

By: Brooke Roberts, MA. Ed., Academic Records and Athletic Eligibility Coordinator, Ohio University

This year OACRAO is reintroducing efforts to help those in need that are close to home. Earlier this year, central and southeastern West Virginia was devastated by flooding – with parts of the state getting over 10 inches of rain. After the water receded, many families came home to find destruction and ruin in its aftermath.

This year, your Local Arrangements Committee is partnering with “Rise West Virginia.” This organization is a government sponsored program to help victims of the floods have a brighter future. We will be asking individual campuses to have “mini drives,” with all items donated being brought to the annual meeting. Detailed information about the “mini drives” and needed items will be forthcoming in next month’s newsletter.

### Support Staff Workshop

By: Beth DaLonzo, OACRAO VP for Workshops

The 2016 OACRAO Support Staff Workshop was a success! 90 staffers from 27 different institutions from across Ohio attended the event on Friday, July 29 at The Ohio State University.



Participants had the opportunity to learn about and discuss strategies for Emotional Intelligence and the better handling of our (and others’) emotions. Renee Romine from Kent State University was a very knowledgeable and dynamic speaker on this topic.

Additional Topics:

Ohio University’s Patrick Beatty gave us concise, interesting and helpful FERPA information. A panel of professionals from Muskingum University, Kent State University and Capital University shared strategies and considerations for promotion and how they got to where they are today from a support position. And, a repeat session from 2015 was Staying Fit at Your Desk, by Ken Blood from Muskingum University. His interactive, conversational yet instructional approach was well received.

Discussion throughout the day was lively and highly interactive. Thank you for sending your support staffers. They should return to their offices with new tools to be more efficient and healthy, both emotionally and physically.

Many thanks to Justin Weimer from The Ohio State University and Patrick Beatty from Ohio University for their invaluable help with registration, set up and refreshments for the day. The workshop could not happen without those two.

## OCTOBER - SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday-Friday, October 5-7

90th Annual OACRAO Conference at Deer Creek State Park,  
Mt. Sterling, Ohio

[Registration is OPEN!](#)

[Click here for conference sessions and workshop descriptions.](#)



## April 2017 - SAVE THE DATE



Sunday-Wednesday, April 2-5, 2017

[103rd Annual AACRAO Conference](#) Minneapolis, MN

## More Fun Pics from OSI 2016



## Campus Scene



**FINNEY CHALEL, OBERLIN COLLEGE**

Submitted by Liz Clerkin, Registrar, Oberlin College  
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