

YSU-ACE UNION

Association of Classified Employees

1 Tressel Way, Youngstown, Ohio 44555



Upcoming Events

Veteran's Day Thank You Breakfast

Wednesday, November 6

Chapter Meeting

Wednesday, November 13 @noon

All-Union Coffee Break

Tuesday, November 19 @ 9am

Welcome Week cookie give-a-way

The Member Engagement Committee sponsored a cookie give away during Welcome Week to increase campus awareness of our union. We had a dozen volunteers to hand out 400 cookies decorated with our logo to students, faculty, staff, and administration.



YSU vs. Pitt football game

On September 21, ACE members and guests enjoyed a charter bus to Pittsburgh to watch the Penguins play the Pitt Panthers. Except for a quick rain shower, it was a beautiful day and everyone had a good time. We were thankful for our new branded tent!



Fall Chapter Meeting

Please plan to attend our Fall Chapter meeting on **Wednesday, November 13th at noon** in the Rossi Room, Kilcawley Center. RSVP using the link in the email coming soon. The union is providing Chick-fil-A lunches for all members and we'll give updates about the union's activities and upcoming events. We need volunteers for two committees: Bylaws and Healthcare Advisory.



Executive Committee Corner

We remind everyone that we are here to represent you and we are only as strong as your voices. Please contact any of us with questions or concerns.

President: Melanie Leonard, Student Employment Specialist
1st Vice Pres: Nancy O'Hara, Academic Ops Specialist 2
2nd Vice Pres: Jill Mogg, Academic Ops Specialist 2
Secretary: Cassie Nespor, Curator in Maag Library
Treasurer: Tatiana O'Dell, Data Administration Specialist 1

Executive Committee:

Joe Audia, Technology Support Technician 2
Eric Barr, Maintenance Repair Worker 2
Rob Chance, Air Quality Technician
Lisa Devore, Academic Operations Specialist, 2
Kay Helscel, Records Management Officer
Kevin Hood, Automotive Mechanic 3

The last meeting of the **Executive Committee** was on October 10. At the meeting we planned the upcoming Chapter meeting, and heard reports on membership, finances, grievances, and LOUs. We discussed increasing engagement on the union Facebook page and thank Rachell Joy-Tupaj for stepping up to help with that. We approved a donation drive for the Penguin Pantry for winter hats, gloves, and socks to be collected at the Chapter meeting on November 13 and Coffee Break on November 19.

Our meetings will continue to be on the second Thursday of each month at 11:30am in the Bresnahan 3 meeting room in Kilcawley Center. The approved minutes from these meetings are posted on our website.

All-union "Take Your Break with ACE" November 19

Our Membership Engagement Committee is planning another morning break event for Tuesday, November 19. The union will provide coffee and Dunkin' Donuts near Jamba Juice in Kilcawley Center. Bring your mug and take your break with other union members from campus! **Invite your APAS and OEA friends to join us.**

Campus Veteran's Day Thank You Breakfast

The YSU Office of Veteran's Affairs is holding a Veteran's Day Thank You Breakfast on Wednesday, November 6 at 8am in the Chestnut Room, Kilcawley Center. **Its free and open to all YSU students and employees.** There's an option to share a photo or message for the slideshow that will play during the breakfast. Look for a registration link in your email on October 28. Please sign up by Friday, November 1.



Thank you, ACE retirees!

Robert Allshouse- IT Customer Services

Joe Bielecki- EHOS Environmental Scientist

Dental & Vision plans

Delta Dental and NVA no longer provide membership cards. You can download the Delta Dental or NVA app for an electronic ID, to find a dentist or vision specialist, or see claims information.

Communications Committee

Joe Audia, Rachell Joy-Tupaj,
Cassie Nespor, Nancy O'Hara

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@YSUACE!*

Healthcare Advisory Committee

Melanie Leonard & Kay Helscel

Constitution & Bylaws Committee

Nancy O'Hara & Kay Helscel



President's Corner

Fall is upon us. The leaves are starting to change and there is a definite crisp in the air. Our membership year began September 1st, and our new officers and executive board members have taken their seats and are ready to fulfill their duties on the executive committee. We welcome our new treasurer, Tatiana O'Dell, and our new board members, Rob Chance and Eric Barr. They, along with the other officers and executive committee members are ready to serve as leadership for our union for another year.

We had a great trip to the YSU v. Pitt football game in Pittsburgh. We played a trivia game on the bus ride down and then had great food at our tailgate. Even though it poured buckets for about 20 minutes right after we set up our new ACE pop-up tent, the day ended up being sunny and we enjoyed time together away from work. (See pictures in this newsletter.)

Our Membership Engagement Committee is doing a great job of coming up with new and different ways for us to get together, both during the workday and away from our work.

News about an upcoming coffee and donuts, a chapter meeting in November, and our Christmas party in December can be found either in this newsletter or watch for information to be sent to our YSU emails.

One committee that we need persons to volunteer their time for is our Constitution and Bylaws (C&B) committee. Our current C&B is from 2007 and we really need to have fresh eyes looking at it. Two members from the executive committee are ready to begin working with an additional two or three persons. This would be a great way for some of our newer members to start to become familiar with our union's governing document.

As always, feel free to call me (x. 2979) or any officers or executive board member with any questions regarding the union, the contract, or your employment here at YSU.

In solidarity,

Melanie L. Leonard

YSU-ACE President

Welcome New Members!

Randy Carlisle- Maintenance
Repair, Facilities

Morgan Diefenderfer- Library
Assistant, Maag Library

Della Elia- Records Technician,
Registration

Ryan Fritch- IT Customer Services

Michael Kendro- Library Assistant,
Maag Library

Allison Krieder- Museum Specialist,
Smith Mineral Museum

Thank you for your service, ACE veterans!

Jason Cottrill, Procurement – Air Force

Steven Eggleston, Facilities – Marines

Eric Kensey, Facilities – Marines

James Porter, IT Customer Services – Army

Sheila Maldonado, English & World Languages – Army

*This list only contains the names of members who replied to the survey emailed on 10/23 before publication.

