

Southeast Area Newsletter

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Greetings to All

Hope you all celebrated a Happy Valentine's Day. Welcome to the Southeast Area! My name is Melissa Carpenter and I will be serving as your Southeast Area director and Scholarship Chairman. Thank you for becoming a member of the National Association of Educational Office Professionals for the 2008-09 association year. If you have not renewed your membership, I would like to encourage each of you to renew your membership with NAEOP and recruit new members to join our wonderful organization. If you are a member of an affiliate and your affiliate has not renewed their membership with NAEOP, please remember the affiliation deadline is May 1.



Mark your calendars!

NAEOP Spring Institute will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Niagara Falls, New York March 26-28. This institute will provide 15 hours of PSP credit. You can visit the NAEOP Website at www.naeop.org to register.

Southeast Area Professional Development Seminar will be hosted by the Kentucky Association of Educational Office Professionals April 3-5 at the Holiday Inn Riverfront in Covington, Kentucky at <http://www.whihotels.com/ebookures/hiriverfront>. We hope you are making plans to attend. The deadline to register and make hotel reservation is March 12.

Plans are underway for the Southeast Area Breakfast meeting Thursday, July 23 at 7:30 a.m. at the Sheraton Hotel in Bloomington, Minnesota. We hope you are making plans to attend. To register for the 75h Diamond Anniversary for the National Association of Educational Office Professionals, visit www.naeop.org. Full conference registration deadline is May 29

SOUTHEAST AREA OFFICERS

Melissa Carpenter, CEOE, MS - Director
 Mimi Pike, KY - Secretary
 Pat Whitley, MS - Treasurer
 Joni Ruffing, CEOE, KY - Professional Development Seminar Chairman

SOUTHEAST AREA STATES

Alabama
 Arkansas
 Florida
 Georgia
 Kentucky
 Louisiana
 Mississippi
 Tennessee
 Bahamas
 Saudi Arabia

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Dana Dickard, Arkansas
 Lana M. Etheredge, Arkansas
 Terina Lee, Arkansas
 Charlotte Walker Washington, CEOE, Arkansas
 Martha Metcalfe, Kentucky
 Brenda Campbell, Mississippi
 Belinda Carlisle, Mississippi
 Stephanie I. Chatman, Mississippi
 Kim Chrestman, Mississippi
 LaQuita Davis, Mississippi
 Mable L. Easley, Mississippi
 Kimberly Franklin, Mississippi
 Sandra V. Garnand, Mississippi
 La'Kitha Bledsoe Hughes, Mississippi
 Stacy Jackson, Mississippi
 Keiona Miller, Mississippi
 Theresa Montgomery, Mississippi
 Cynthia R. Moore, Mississippi
 Belinda Patterson, Mississippi
 James M. Perteet, Mississippi
 Grisel Rios, Mississippi
 Gwendolyn A. Robinson, Mississippi
 Priscilla A. Spann, Mississippi

DATES AND DEADLINES TO REMEMBER

March 8 – Daylight Savings
 March 12 – Southeast Area Professional Development Seminar registration and hotel deadline
 March 15 – NAEOP scholarship and awards deadline
 March 26-28 – NAEOP Spring Institute in Niagara Falls, NY
 April 3-5 – Southeast Area Professional Development Seminar in Covington, KY
 April 10 – NES Connector deadline
 April 12 – Easter Holiday
 April 20 – Earth Day
 April 20-24 – Administrative Professionals Week
 May 1 – Affiliate renewal deadline
 May 15 – Affiliate Newsletter and PSP filing deadline
 May 18-22 – National Educational Bosses Week
 July 20-24 – NAEOP Annual Conference in Bloomington, MN

PSP/CEOE RECIPIENTS

Sandra Kawanda Ankton, AR – Bachelor Degree, Option II and CEOE
 Glyndith Griffin, CEOE, AR – Advanced III, Option B
 Tijuana M. Griffin, MS – Associate Professional, Option II
 Teresa K. Hagood, AR – Bachelor Degree, Option II and CEOE
 Sharon Hughes, MS – Basic, Option I
 Mary Katherine Oliver, MS – Advanced II, Option I
 Ratonia L. Shaw, MS – Advanced II, Option I
 Charlotte Walker Washington, AR – Bachelor Degree, Option II and CEOE

Let's see who will be featured next!

SOUTHEAST AREA AFFILIATES

Arkadelphia AEOP
 Arkansas AEOP
 Arkansas Past President AEOP
 Duval AEOP
 Florida AEOP
 Fort Smith AEOP
 Fort Smith Frontier AEOP
 Georgia AEOP
 Hardin County AEOP
 Hattiesburg AEOP
 Hinds County AEOP

Kentucky AEOP
 Louisiana EOP
 Mississippi AEOP
 Mississippi AEOP Past Presidents
 Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College AEOP
 North Little Rock AEOP
 Oak Ridge AEOP
 Ozark Unlimited Resource AEOP
 Pasco County AEOP
 Sarasota County AEOP
 The University of Southern Mississippi EOP

AFFILIATE NEWS FLASH

We want to hear from all affiliate presidents. To affiliate, go to <http://www.naeop.org> and download the forms and check out what is available to you as a member and affiliate. Affiliate early so you can receive all the many wonderful benefits NAEOP has to offer its affiliates. Affiliates can send articles to Linda Sockwell, CEOE, at linda.sockwell@risd.org NES Connector Editor, and articles for *Keeping Affiliates Active* to Allie Faye Matthews at alliem@susd12.org.

SOUTHEAST AREA AFFILIATES NEWS

Kentucky Association of Educational Office Professionals will be hosting Southeast Area Professional Development Seminar April 3-5, 2009.

Louisiana Association of Educational Office Professionals will host its annual conference at the Holiday Inn in Baton Rouge, LA March 19-21.

Mississippi Association of Educational Office Professionals will host its annual conference in Biloxi, MS at the Imperial Palace June 11-13. To register for the conference go to www.usm.edu/maeop.

If your affiliate did not appear in this issue, then let us hear from you soon so you can be featured in the next edition.

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

The applicant must be a high school senior or currently enrolled full-time in higher education to be eligible to apply for the Marion T. Wood Student Scholarship. The applicant should be pursuing a degree in an educational office-related business program. Awards will be determined by a panel of judges. The deadline to apply for the Marion T. Wood Student Scholarship is March 15.

Scholarship applications can be found at <http://www.naeop.org> under "Members Only." To get into that page, you must have a user name and password. It is important that you follow the guidelines outlined in the application.

We are so excited to present the first Special Needs Student Scholarship in Minnesota 2009. This is a \$500 scholarship developed to assist a special needs high school senior with an identified disability, who will be pursuing a post-secondary program. The applicant must be sponsored by a NAEOP affiliate. If individuals or affiliates would like to make a donation to these scholarships, please make check payable to the National office. We hope to receive many applications. We hope your name will be called in Minnesota as the next recipient of the scholarship.

SPECIAL NOTES OF INTEREST

The Southeast Area has 544 members. Let's have an increase by the next edition of the newsletter!

Remember to affiliate with NAEOP and continue to recruit new members!

Remember to keep Butch Bender, Connie Bergeson and Family, Allie Faye Matthews, La Oeltjenbruns and Family, Ida Brown Philson Family, Linda Sockwell and Family in your thoughts and prayers.

If you would like to order the 2009 Conference crème shirt, please send \$40 to Sharon J. Griffiths, 201 East Hayden Lake Road #103, Champlin, MN 55316. Make your check payable to MAEOP, including \$5 for mailing. L.L. Bean's Pima Cotton Shirt machine wash and dry interlock knit soft and silky on the inside and outside.

NAEOP's 75th ANNIVERSARY

In recognition of the 75th anniversary celebration of the National Association of Educational Office Professionals, the association will be publishing an 8 ½ by 11 thirteen month calendar with historical information as well as birthdates and anniversaries of NAEOP members and their family members. The cost per entry is \$1. Contact Theresa Cote, 75th anniversary committee chairman at tcote@ksde.org or 785.296.2303 (w) or 785.246.3105 (h) to purchase an ad or to place an entry. Deadline for

advertisements and calendar entry is March 1, 2009.

NAREOP

The retirees invites you to join them at their special projects table Tuesday, July 21 at 1 p.m. Each year retirees have a Special Project at the NAEOP Annual Conference. This year is no exception. They are teaming with The Link, a local Minnesota nonprofit youth service organization that works with middle and high school students in Hennepin County. The Link's Mission is to build a supportive community network that links youth and their families to their inner strength through life skills, education, advocacy, supportive housing, and a dynamic network of social services to transform lives. This year NAEOP and NAREOP are joining together to assist this wonderful organization. This group of young students needs our help and together we need your help to provide much needed school supplies. All of these items should be easy to pack or if you will not be able to attend the conference, you may send them to our Retiree Liaison for the Minnesota conference: Darlene Hovorka, 1926 State Road 13, Friendship, WI 53934.

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National Association of Educational Office Professionals MISSION Statement

The mission of the National Association of Educational Office Professionals, the only national professional association for educational office personnel, is to provide professional growth

opportunities, leadership, and service for employees in education through a specifically-designed certification program, quality training, a network for sharing information and ideas, recognition of achievements and fellowship.