Meet Your Senate Members

In order from left to right: (1st row) Marlene Jenkins, Patricia Palmer, Kim Border, Serena McCollum, Margaret Cabrera, Misty Hutchinson, Sharon Romina, Caitlin Swartz. (2nd row) Cheri Sheets, Clarissa Hutchison, Jennifer Romero, Jan Haynes, Bonnie Behm-Geddes, Jeff Fulk, Heather Gould. (3rd row) Chris Caldwell. Members not in the photo: Maryann Lape

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Classified Senate Meet & Greet

When: October 25, 2016
Where: Baker University Center 231
Time: 12:30p-2:00p

Details: Classified Senate will be hosting a meet & greet where classified staff can come and enjoy some refreshments and get to talk with members of the Classified Senate. There will be door prizes and everyone will leave with one free item :) There will be cookies, muffins, pumpkin rolls, apple cider and much more!!!! Hope to see you all there!
Welcome from your 2016-2017 Classified Senate.

This year’s Executive Committee includes Jennifer Romero as Chair, Cheri Sheets as Secretary, Bonnie Behm-Geddes as Treasurer, Sharon Romina as Chair Elect, Serena McCollum as Secretary Elect, and Heather Gould as Treasurer Elect. Other members of Senate include; Kim Border, Chris Caldwell (Webmaster), Jeff Fulk, Jan Haynes, Misty Hutchison, Marlene Jenkins, Maryann Lape, Patricia Palmer, and Caitlin Swartz.

The remaining Classified Senate meetings are as follows and we encourage all to attend; all meetings are 10 am-12 pm.

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If you are unable to get away from your office, the meetings are streamed live via Adobe Connect. You can connect with us at [https://adobeconnect.oit.ohio.edu/csen/](https://adobeconnect.oit.ohio.edu/csen/). The minutes from the last meeting and the agenda for the current meeting are sent via email each month.

We had a dynamic retreat for Senate members in July held on the Zanesville campus; a special thank you to all those that helped make that possible. At the retreat we reviewed some of our accomplishments from 2015-2016, a few of which include; increased participation in our Employee of the Month program, consistently using Adobe Connect to stream our meetings, participation in the Athens Beautification Day and donating merchandise sales profits to the endowment accounts of the 5 scholarships that Senate funds.

We also discussed items that we would like to work on for the 2016-2017 year, a few of which include; all Senate members learning to work the Adobe Connect, more outreach to Classified staff including incorporating regional campuses, revamping our merchandise sales to be able to donate more to the endowed accounts, and ways to increase our membership numbers on Classified Senate.

If you would like to join in, I have challenged each Senate member to read the book *The Energy Bus* by Jon Gordon. It is a quick read, kind of cheesy, but hopefully gives us some learning points. Our goal is to have it read by December as we will be discussing it during the closed part of the December meeting.

I have also challenged the Executive Committee of Classified Senate to complete the Career and Leadership Development Centers Leadership Coaching certificate, though I would encourage anyone to partake that opportunity.

In closing, I strongly encourage all Classified staff to participate and communicate with Classified Senate, as Classified Senate serves as the voice of Classified staff.

Best Regards,

Jennifer Romero, B.A.
Classified Senate Chair 2016-2017
“Spotlight” on the Senate Members

Senate members were asked “What do you enjoy in the Fall”? Their responses are below:

Kim Border

Each year we travel to the Finger Lakes region of New York and look so forward to the beautiful changing of the leaves. Not to mention this is wine country, with many wine and beer trails! What better than a lake view, fall foliage and wine on a deck!!

Bonnie Behm-Geddes

I love driving around with friends in OH/WV and looking at the beautiful fall colors. The changing of the colors is one of the things others come to this area to see. People who move away to the South mention it is one of the things they miss dearly. We are so lucky for this wonderful view right outside our window.

Serena McCollum

I love seeing all of the beautiful colors of the trees and how vibrant they can be. The warm days and cooler nights, Halloween and the decorations. I also love when Thanksgiving comes because I get to spend time with family, some whom I don’t see often and others just that one time each year. Fall is my favorite season.

Sharon Romina

My favorite part of Fall is the beautiful leaves and great weather! I am planning a trip to visit my daughter who lives in Central Virginia and we will enjoy the sights of Charlottesville and Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello during peak colors.

Upcoming Events

October 25  
Classified Senate Meet & Greet, 12:30 pm—2:00 pm, Baker University Center 231

For all Classified Staff who would like to come and get to know the Classified Senate. There will be refreshments and door prizes. Please come anytime between 12:30-2:00pm!!

October 26  
Resource Fair, 10 am—3 pm, Baker University Center Ballroom

For more information please visit https://www.ohio.edu/hr/updates/resource_fair.cfm

October 28-29  
Athens Halloween Block Party

Visit www.ohiouniversityjobs.com/postings/20293 if you are interested in working overtime during the Halloween Block Party weekend. The deadline to apply is October 16

November 8  
Business Forum, 2 pm—4 pm, Baker University Center 240

Business Forums are quarterly meetings sponsored by the Finance and University Human Resources divisions to share information and enhance communication with any employees who have respective responsibilities at the university. More information can be found at https://www.ohio.edu/finance/BusinessForum.cfm

You can also watch via Adobe Connect at https://connect.ohio.edu/vpfabusinessforum/

December 10  
Fall Commencement (https://www.ohio.edu/commencement/)
Classified Employee of the Month

July Employee of the Month

Brenda Dorst
Records Management Senior Specialist, Registrar’s Office

Brenda was asked a series of questions and some of her responses are below:

- What are the most enjoyable things about your job?
  A: The group of people I work with is most enjoyable

- What are your hobbies?
  A: Crossword puzzles, swimming and ghost hunting

CONGRATULATIONS BRENDA!!

August Employee of the Month

Cyndi Parsons
Administrative Specialist, Well Works

Cyndi was asked a series of questions and some of her responses are below:

- How surprised were you to win the Employee of the Month award?
  A: I was surprised. I was ambushed by co-workers and friends during a meeting

- What are your long-term goals?
  A: See child number three through college graduation and eventually retire from Ohio University

WAY TO GO CYNDI!!

Want to nominate a Classified employee for Employee of the Month?

Go to the classified senate website at www.ohio.edu/csen/eom.cfm and fill out the nomination form at the bottom of the page.

Helpful Links for Classified Staff

https://www.ohio.edu/finance/coa/index.cfm Chart of Accounts Redesign website

https://www.ohio.edu/hr/development/index.cfm Online professional development resources available through UHR.

https://www.ohio.edu/presidential-search/ Information related to the search for the next President of Ohio University.

https://www.ohio.edu/ucm/ Has social media, University Logos, Web Standards and much more!!