# WEAthervane

February 2017

#### Important Dates

- Tuition Waiver Deadline for Summer
   April I
- Early Release
   March 16
- Winter Leadership Workshop Mar. 4



#### **WEA Officers:**

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Rhonda Gilpin
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## **President's Corner**

Attending the NEA Representative Assembly is a fantastic learning opportunity. This year the NEA RA will be held in Boston, MA from July 1-5, 2017. At the RA 8000 teachers from across the country come together to have a collective voice regarding public education. There is no better display of democracy at work then seeing it happen on the floor of the RA. If you would like to represent WEA and OEA in Boston this summer, please send your name and building to Angie Lee by Feb. 21.

Together We Can

**MyEdPortal** - If an activity is returned to you for clarification or is denied, please go back into MyEdPortal and when looking at that activity scroll to the bottom of the page and read the comments from the LPDC. Also be sure and put activities into MyEdPortal in a timely manner as they happen.

### Informational Retirement Meeting

There will be an informational retirement meeting on **Thursday**, **March 2**. It will be held at the ELC in the Board Training Room. A representative from STRS will be there to give an overview and HR and Treas. Offices will share information specific to Westerville City Schools.

Starts at 4:30 pm

Spouses are welcome.

#### WINTER LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

MARCH 4, 2017 9AM-3:30PM

**WHERE**: Airport Marriott (1375 N. Cassady Ave)

WHAT: ESSA, Fight the Power, Find a Balance, Early Career Educators, and

Thriving and Surviving

**HOW:** Sign up today at www.centraloeanea.org



# Because We Care...

### **Births**

Walnut Springs-Bethany Morvay-Baby Boy

Alcott – Jackie Patterson-Baby Boy

Huber Ridge- Emily Edwards-Baby Girl

- Kathy Gauen-Grandson

Annehurst-Libby Schlagbaum-Baby Girl

-Abby DeChant-Baby Girl

North HS-Adam DeChant-Baby Girl

-Jessica Martin-Baby Boy

Blendon-Kylie O'Ryan-Baby Boy

Whittier-Michele VanVoorhis-Baby Girl

Mark Twain-Bob Kowalski-Baby Boy

Central HS-Jen Kiko-Baby Boy

-Kelly McCoy-Baby Girl

-Jennifer Snider-Baby Boy

-Aaron Starkey-Baby Boy

-Steve Stewart-Baby Boy

-Michael & Holly Park-Baby Girl

#### **Condolences**

Huber Ridge-Arica Danison-Grandmother

Whittier-Kim Wickham-Father

-Veronica Ramos-Father

Central HS-Aaron Starkey-Grandfather

Genoa-Leah Sadler-Father

-Sarah Shaffer-Aunt

Mark Twain-Judith Strain-Father

WEA CIPD Grants Congratulations to the following members who were awarded WEA grants in Fall 2016:

Morgan Michel
Carol Louden
Kristina Cameron
Amal Doom
Amanda McQuown
David Johnston
Donna Dixius
Laurie McCartney

Lindsay Powell Malinda Butler

**Christy Gill** 

Myranda Held

The next application window will open in March for the spring recipients.

# TAX INFORMATION: AMOUNT OF DUES THAT YOU CAN DEDUCT FOR 2016

Full time: \$839.53 Half time: \$544.47 Quarter time: \$404.57



# **Learning Opportunities:**

## **OSU** Assessment Literacy

1 Graduate Credit Course; Spring Semester Two Day Course; Mar.3-4, 2017; Bishop Watterson HS, Friday 4-7 pm and Sat. 8:30-Noon; One Franklin County Fee Authorization (must have approval from WCS for fee waiver before registering) or \$750

## **OSU Instructional Planning**

1 Graduate Credit Course; Spring Semester Two Day Course; April 7-8, 2017; Bishop Watterson HS, Friday 4-7 pm and Sat. 8:30-Noon; One Franklin County Fee Authorization (must have approval from WCS for fee waivers before registering) or \$750

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