

OHIO LEAD PROGRAM—CLASS XI
STUDY INSTITUTE #5 – Ohio Political Process
June 14-16, 2006

Goals:

- To enhance understanding of the organization and functions of state government.
- To examine the state political system and the legislative process.
- To review current legislative and political issues in Ohio.

Location: DoubleTree Guest Suites
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Chairs: Brett Rhoads, Day 1
David Zellers, Day 2
Amanda Moore, Day 3

Scribes: Elizabeth Bostdorff, Day 1
Kim Browning, Day 2
Jeff Coppess, Day 3

Group Power Point Presentation: Elizabeth Bostdorff, Kim Browning, Tomika Johnson

Planning Committee: Fred Hammon, Elizabeth Bostdorff, Keith Stimpert, Marc Armstrong

Wednesday, June 14th

Chairperson: Brett Rhoads

Attire: Business Dress

Scribe: Elizabeth Bostdorff

Location: Riffe Center South B&C
Conference Room – 31st floor

9:15 am Welcome, “*Overview of Institute*”, **Keith Stimpert**, Vice President of Government Affairs, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation

9:45 am “*A Vision of Agriculture and Political Involvement*”, **Jack Fisher**, Executive Vice President, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation
<http://www.ofbf.org/>

10:45 am “*How to Meet with Legislators and Staff - Citizen Lobbying 101*” **Rocky Black**, Director of Legislative Affairs, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation

12:00 – 2:00 **Luncheon Invitation to Legislators and/or Staff - Riffe Center Mezzanine Level**

Afternoon Session in the Riffe Center West B&C Conference Room – 31st floor

- 2:30 pm “*How Eminent Domain Effects Agriculture*” **Representative Bob Gibbs** (R-Lakeville)
<http://www.house.state.oh.us/jsps/MemberDetails.jsp?DISTRICT=97>
- 3:30 pm “*Legislative Priorities Facing Agriculture*” **Representative Jim Aslanides** (R-Coshocton)
<http://www.house.state.oh.us/jsps/MemberDetails.jsp?DISTRICT=94>
and **Senator Larry Mumper** (R-Marion)
http://www.senate.state.oh.us/senators/bios/sd_26.html
- 4:45 pm Check into Hotel and free time until dinner
- 6:00 pm Dinner at the Capital Club 7th Floor Huntington Center **The Honorable Evelyn Stratton**, Ohio Supreme Court Justice
<http://www.sconet.state.oh.us/justices/stratton/default.asp>

Thursday, June 15th

Chairperson: David Zellers

Scribe: Kim Browning

Attire: Business Dress

Location: Riffe Center North B&C – 31st Floor

- 8:00 am Breakfast in the Riffe Center conference room.
- 9:00 am “*Perspectives on Public Service*” **Doug White**, Director of the Ohio Department of Commerce.
- 10:30am “*The Role of Legislative Agents in State Government*” Moderator: **Rocky Black**. Lobbyist Panel:
- **Tom McCullough**, Director Government Affairs
 - **Linda Woggon**, Ohio Chamber of Commerce
 - **Kevin Baron**, Nationwide Insurance
- 12:15 pm Lunch served in the conference room.
- “*The Challenges of Preserving Ohio’s Farmland*” **Howard Wise**, Assistant Director, Ohio Department of Agriculture.
<http://www.ohioagriculture.gov/>

- 1:30 pm “Ohio State Budget Issues” **Tim Keen**, Director, Ohio Office of Budget and Management. <http://www.obm.ohio.gov/index.asp>
- 2:30 pm “The Gubernatorial Race”
- Representative Tom Raga**, (R-District 67, Warren County) Running Mate of Secretary of State Ken Blackwell <http://www.kenblackwell.com/>
- Representative Chris Redfern**, (D-District 80, Ottawa & Erie County) Chairman, Ohio Democratic Party, Representing Congressman Ted Strickland (D) <http://www.tedstrickland.com/>
- 3:30 pm “November Ballot Proposals” **Dr. Herb Asher**, Professor Emeritus, The Ohio State University.
- 4:45 pm All travel to Nationwide Insurance Company One Nationwide Plaza.
- 5:15 pm Join LEAD Alumni and Policy and Development Members for speaker and dinner hosted by **Nationwide Insurance Company**.
- Presentation: Heritage Room “Corporate Citizenship and Community Development” **Chad Jester**, Vice President, Nationwide Insurance Company. <http://www.nationwide.com/nw/index.htm>
- Dinner following: Nationwide Cafeteria

Friday, June 16th

Chairperson: Amanda Moore

Attire: Business Dress

Scribe: Jeff Coppess

Location: Riffe Center North B&C – 31st Floor

Check out of hotel and store your luggage with the front desk.

- 8:00 am Group breakfast and sharing experiences of state legislator visits. **Riffe Center Conference Room**.
- 9:00 am “Agriculture and the Environment” **Jack Shaner**, Public Affairs Manager, Ohio Environmental Council <http://www.theoec.org/about.html>; **Jack Van Kley**, Environmental Law Attorney, Van Kley & Walker, LLC <http://www.vankleywalker.com>

- 10:00 am “*The Role of County Government*,” **Cheryl Subler**, Senior Policy Analyst,
County Commissioners Association of Ohio <http://www.ccao.org/>
- 11:00 am Tour of **The Supreme Court Building** <http://www.ohiojudicialcenter.gov/>
- 12:00-2:30 Lunch catered in.
Afternoon sessions includes:
- PowerPoint Presentations by **Elizabeth Bostdorff, Kim Browning, Tomika Johnson**
 - SI #4 Evaluations
 - “*Power, Politics and Leadership*” DuBrin Leadership Book.
- 2:30 Depart for Home

A special thank you to the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation for sponsoring Study Institute #5. The assistance of Keith Stimpert, Marc Armstrong and their staff in planning this institute is greatly appreciated.

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