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News & Updates: February 25, 2014

OVRDC Full Commission & Election of Officers

You are cordially invited to attend the Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission

Full Commission Meeting & Election of Officers

Friday, March 21, 2014

to be held in

Adams County

at the

The Red Barn Convention Center

2223 Russellville Rd.

Winchester, Ohio 45697

The following slate of officers as presented to the Executive Committee by the Nominating Committee will be presented to the Full Commission for their consideration:

Bob Proud (Clermont County) – Chairman

Shane Wilkin (Highland County) – Vice Chairman

Blaine Beekman (Pike County) – Treasurer

Registration at 10:30 a.m.

Meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Lunch at Noon

MARCH MADNESS

Attend the OVRDC Full Commission Meeting supporting your favorite NCAA team (whether they are in the tournament or not) by wearing your team jersey, sweatshirt, or team colors!

Registration Form & Directions are attached.

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RCAP's Spring 2014 Training Schedule

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Courses 101 and 201 are required for 50% of governing board members if receiving Principal Forgiveness funding from the Ohio EPA Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund

All Courses are provided at NO COST to attendees

Visit our website www.ohiorcap.org for additional information on these courses

Utility Management (Course #101) 8:30-4:00 lunch on your own 5 OEPA Contact Hrs. <i>This course focuses upon Technical, Managerial, and Financial Capacity of your system. Topics include responsibilities of operator and management, rules and regulations, personnel issues, budgeting, record keeping, and more. (On-line course available for this session)</i>	
Dates / Locations: Mar. 26, 2014 Hampton Inn 200 Morris Crossing Newcomstown OH 43832 Apr. 15, 2014 WSOs CAC 219 S. Front Street, 1st Floor Fremont OH 43420 Apr. 23, 2014 Holiday Inn Express 11 East Park Drive Athens OH 45701 May 21, 2014 Holiday Inn Express 3951 Jackpot Road Grove City OH 43123	
Financial Management (Course #201) 8:30-4:00 lunch on your own 5 OEPA Contact Hrs. <i>This course focuses upon evaluating financial policies and records, planning financial needs, and implementing and monitoring. Learn about policies & guidelines, important data and records, goals & budgeting, capital improvement planning, internal controls, rate and fees, and more. (On-line course available for this session)</i>	
Dates / Locations: Mar. 27, 2014 Hampton Inn 200 Morris Crossing Newcomstown OH 43832 Apr. 16, 2014 WSOs CAC 219 S. Front Street, 1st Floor Fremont OH 43420 Apr. 24, 2014 Holiday Inn Express 11 East Park Drive Athens OH 45701 May 22, 2014 Holiday Inn Express 3951 Jackpot Road Grove City OH 43123	
Asset Management (Course #301) 8:30-4:15 lunch on your own 5.5 OEPA Contact Hrs. <i>This course focuses upon asset management, budgeting, and rate setting. Topics include inventorying assets, developing & implementing an asset management plan, incorporating the plan and reserves into the budget, setting goals for rates and implementing, providing templates for budgets and rate setting, and more.</i>	
Date / Location: March 12, 2014 Hocking College Room #JL348, 3301 Hocking Parkway, Locking Hall, Nelsonville OH 45765 May 7, 2014 OSU Endevor Center, 1862 Shyrille Road, Piketon OH 45661	
Applied Asset Mgmt. Using CUPSS (Course #401) 8:00-4:15 lunch on your own 6 OEPA Contact Hrs. <i>This course will provide an introduction to CUPSS (Check Up Program for Small Systems) and will include the software, manual, and training materials to take with you. Through hands-on training you will learn how to record your assets, schedule/track maintenance tasks, and make more informed decisions.</i>	
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Containing Costs 8:00-4:15 lunch on your own 6 OEPA Contact Hrs. <i>This course focuses upon financial sustainability of water & wastewater utilities, personnel requirements for your utility and how to manage them, technical and operational issues, information technology and GIS advancements, and shared services. A Best Practices Forum is also included.</i>	
Date / Location: May 15, 2014 USDA Office, 7868 County Road 140, Findlay OH	

Register on-line at OhiorCAP.org or contact Nadine Thompson at 800-775-9767 or 419/332-2056

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Upcoming Export & Business Assistance Events in Ohio

March 11, 2014 – The Columbus Council on World Affairs will be hosting the **2014 International Awards Ceremony** in Columbus. This annual event recognizes the outstanding global contributions of local leaders and K-12 educators. This year's event will feature Anthony Precourt, Chairman and Investor/Operator for the Columbus Crew. To register, please visit [here](#).

March 12, 2014 – Technology First will be hosting the **11th Annual Ohio Information Security Conference (OISC)** in Dayton. This event focuses on three areas/tracks: management, technical, and implementation. To learn more and to register, please visit [here](#).

March 18-21, 2014 – Xavier University and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will be hosting the **PharmaLink Conference** in Cincinnati. This event will give attendees the opportunity to interact with regulators from around the world and other companies in the medical industry. To learn more and to register, please visit www.pharmalink2014.com.

March 19-21, 2014 – The John Glenn School of Public Affairs at Ohio State University will be hosting the **Big Data Future Conference** in Columbus. This FREE event will explore the possibilities for new enterprises grounded in big data to improve economic, social, and political life. To register, please visit [here](#).

March 20, 2014 – The Ohio Aerospace Institute (OAI) in partnership with the Ohio Development Services Agency, U.S. Commercial Service, Dayton Regional Manufacturers Association (DRMA), and the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) will be hosting **Practical Tips for Suppliers of Civil Aircraft and Aircraft Parts to Increase Exports** in Dayton. This conference will educate attendees about regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and foreign aeronautical authorities to help speed shipments to overseas customers. To learn more about this event and to register, please visit [here](#).

March 20, 2014 – The Ohio Development Services Agency in partnership with Kegler Brown will be hosting a **Doing Business in Singapore and Indonesia Seminar** in Columbus. More details and registration information will be coming soon.

April 23-24, 2014 – The Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Development Services Agency will be hosting the **Ohio Business Matchmaker** in Dayton. This premier event will feature matchmaking and training sessions. Additional details will be provided in the coming weeks.

May 20, 2014 – The Ohio University Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs will be hosting the **3rd Annual Appalachian Ohio State of the Region Conference** in Athens. This FREE day-long conference will address the region's current status and opportunities in the manufacturing sector by bringing together national leaders and industry experts to discuss recent trends and developments. More information and registration details will be coming soon.

SBA Export Express Program – The Small Business Administration (SBA) has suspended the guaranty fee and on-going fee for loans under \$150,000. This guaranty fee suspension will remain in place until September 30, 2014. Basically, this provides a savings for the small business of the 2% guaranty fee and a savings for the lender of the 52 basis points on-going fee. For more information, please contact Mr. Patrick Hayes, International Trade Finance Manager-Eastern U.S. at Patrick.hayes@sba.gov or 216-522-4731.

Small Business Seminars – The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) at Columbus State Community College offers many seminars and workshops to small businesses in the region. Topics include certifications, mentoring, social media, business strategy, finance, and more! To learn more about these events, please visit [here](#).

Upcoming International Trade Missions – The Ohio Development Services Agency provides numerous opportunities to companies interested in participating in international trade missions. To see a list of upcoming missions and how to register, please visit [here](#).