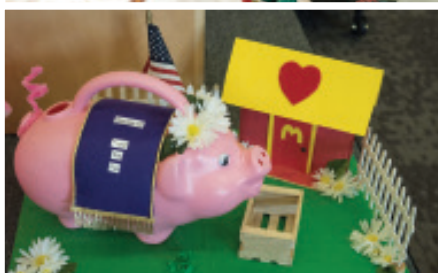




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President's Message

Stacey Bettis, President, SNA of Ohio



Welcome to another fabulous year in child nutrition! This year will be a year that may bring some challenges but just remember you always have School Nutrition

Association there to help you out! There are so many new and upcoming events. I sure hope that if you have the opportunity to attend one of our Board meetings this year you will take the time and learn how the SNA Ohio Board is working hard for each of you. We have devised a plan to move the board meetings around the state so that hopefully we can be within each region. They are Sept 15 in Akron, November 3 in Cincinnati, and April (date and location TBD) in Southeastern Ohio.

If it is difficult to get out of the district during the day don't forget about the Fall Focus or our outstanding website. You can get great information about what is going on in Ohio at www.snaohio.org or look at what is going on nationally at www.schoolnutrition.org. While you are in the website, make sure to check out the S.T.E.P.S challenges, the professional standard forms, and many other scholarships and helpful information.

It was great to see and hear U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, Sonny Perdue, address a crowd of over 7,000 school nutrition professionals during the Closing General Session on July 12, 2017 at the Annual National Conference this year. The Secretary took the opportunity to recognize the many contributions of school nutrition professionals to students' academic achievement. He also joined in on a listening session with SNA leaders—school nutrition professionals elected to represent the broad range of meal programs across the country. The event allowed Secretary Perdue to hear first-hand about successes and challenges encountered by those working on the frontlines to improve menus for students while meeting updated nutrition standards for meals and snacks. Perdue has invited Lynn Harvey, SNA's President, and her incoming board to meet with his team at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to give direct, specific advice on how to make the best rules going forward regarding school nutrition and school meals.

Your voice is always very influential in the SNA organization. Each of our executive board, regional directors, and board members are here to listen about what is impacting your region and district's needs. This helps when we advocate both at the state and

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CONFERENCE Thanks



By Stacey Bettis, President of the School Nutrition Association of Ohio

I wanted to express my thanks to the dedicated SNA members and Industry Partners that made the 2017 SNA Ohio Conference in Cleveland a success. It is because of dedicated board members, a fabulous conference committee, industry partners, amazing speakers, and fantastic members that the conference was so “Ta Da”! I hope that as you start your year you take some of the training that you have gained from the conference back to your districts along with many new items from the food expo and kick off the school year feeling energized and confident. I look forward to seeing each of you in June 2018 when we all find out the answer we all have been looking for from our Vice President, Chris Burkhardt WHY? in Sharonville Convention Center, Cincinnati, Ohio.



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Each year the SNA of Ohio honors those that go above and beyond in the industry. We are so proud of the following individuals for their commitment to providing Ohio's students with the nutrition that they need to learn better in the classroom.



The SNA of Ohio Manager of the Year Award, in honor of Louise Sublette was presented to **Ginni Vaccaro** with Mentor Exempted Village School District. As part of the SNA awards program, the state of Ohio honors school nutrition professionals with the Manager of the Year Award, which is considered the highest



honor a school nutrition manager can earn. It recognizes the importance of those closest to the school nutrition program - the managers. As stated in her nomination by Jeni Lange, Ginni is always welcoming and outgoing as she enters the workplace each morning. She approaches each day as a new opportunity to make a difference in the lives of students and staff. Ginni is a former chapter presidents and attends all professional development opportunities – and encourages her staff to do the same. Ginni is solution-based and always there to lead staff, as well as take time for students and parents. Congratulations, Ginni, on this very deserving achievement!

The 14th Annual SNA of Ohio Industry Service Award was presented this year to **James Bannerman** with Innovative Solutions Group, SFS PAC. The Industry Service Award recognizes an individual among



the Child Nutrition Industry community who has demonstrated excellence in their profession during the past 12 months. The award is open to individuals at any level of an organization who has contributed to the development and deployment of innovative products or systems which are designed to improve Child Nutrition operations, menus or enhance services. James Bannerman is involved with SNA at all levels, including lobbying at the national level and supporting local chapters. As stated in his nomination by Mary Burkett, James can always be counted on to participate in the chapter meetings. James has a passion for school nutrition that really shined in particular when he stepped up to assist with ServSafe training and test administration in a number of districts. James is a respected colleague by his peers, always ready to greet everyone with kindness and care. SNA of Ohio is so proud to add James' name to this esteemed list of industry supporters in Ohio! Congratulations, James!

The Buckeye Service Award honors those members who have been working for students for 25 years or more. Buckeye Service Award winners work through countless changes and triumphs

within the profession and have provided an immeasurable amount of time and experience to keep children healthy! Congratulations to this year's recipients - **Linda Miller**, Food Service Director, Perkins Local Schools and **Nadine Southworth**, Kitchen Manager, Riverside Local Schools!

The Most Valuable Principal/Superintendent/Administrator Award is given to leaders who exemplify an eagerness to understand and assist the nutrition programs in our schools. We are thrilled to recognize these worthy individuals!

Most Valuable Principal was awarded to **Laura Miller** with All Saint's Academy. Mrs. Miller was nominated by Dorothy Aeling, Cafeteria Director at All Saint's Academy. Dorothy stated Mrs. Miller is so supportive in the staff's decisions in the cafeteria. Also, Mrs. Miller is such a wonderful role model for the students in that she enforces to them the benefits of a good nutritious meal. Mrs. Miller also occasionally joins the cafeteria staff to serve lunch to the students. Congratulations on this awesome achievement, Mrs. Miller!



Most Valuable Superintendent was awarded to **Thomas Roth** with Edison Local Schools. Mr. Roth was nominated by Shelly Geason, Food Services Director with Edison Local Schools. In her nomination, Shelly stated that Mr. Roth is a well-respected leader and team player for the district. Mr. Roth is a huge supporter, initiator,

and cheerleader for the food service department. Mr. Roth is always willing to help increase student participation, including the implementation of a Grab and Go Breakfast at the Middle School, After the Bell Breakfast at the High School, and more! Also, Mr. Roth is very present in the schools and really knows all of the staff. Congratulations to Thomas Roth!



The SNA of Ohio awarded its **Annual Scholarship** to **Courtney Morabito**, Supervisor of Operations-Food Services, Cincinnati Public Schools! Courtney is a professional who has chosen to further her education to benefit her career. Courtney is

completing graduate courses to earn an MBA from the University of Cincinnati.



The SNA of Ohio awarded the annual **Barbara Duncan Memorial Scholarship** to **Rachel Tilford**, Food Service Director with Little Miami Local School District! This scholarship was created to honor Barbara Duncan and her legacy of promoting professional development in the school nutrition profession. Congratulations, Rachel!

Again, congratulations to ALL!!! Check out the winter issue of The Dish for important award applications for the coming year.

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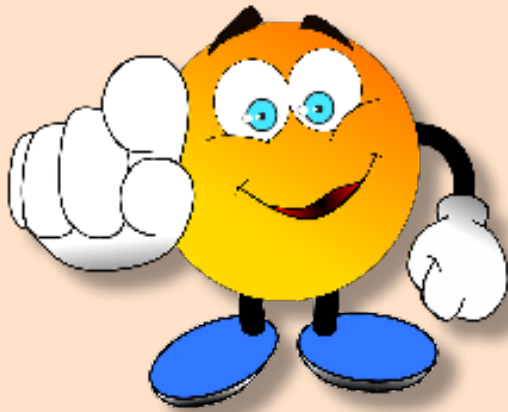
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Contributions in any amount help. We encourage all our members to consider donating at least a few dollars. The best part is that it is easy to do. Visit <https://schoolnutrition.org/SNF/DonateToTheFoundation/>. Online contributions in any amount can be entered.

Please consider a donation today. You may be one of the lucky people that are selected for a scholarship if you are trying to enhance your educational opportunities or advance your nutritional education. The opportunities are endless.

"I support the School Nutrition Foundation for all the great things it provides for the profession of school nutrition and the awareness it brings to school meal programs and the issues of childhood hunger." **Debbi Beauvais, FN District Director, Gates-Chili CSD, Rochester, New York**

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President's Message

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national level. The small stories that we bring to the table from each of the districts truly leave a huge impression.

Although we get caught up in the hustle and bustle of the beginning of the year rush, remember each smile that you give to those children and the meals that you serve each day are the heart

of your program. It just seems like yesterday we were heading to Cleveland to attend the SNA Ohio Conference, and here we are about to open the buildings and kick off the start of school. If you attended the conference you are aware of my focus and vision as your President this year. It is a privilege and I am humbled and honored to represent you as members of SNA. Thank you for allowing me to do so.

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Silver	61%	34%	5%	39%
Bronze	69%	23%	8%	31%
Rising Star	88%	19%	38%	Breakfast After the Bell- 8% 65%

* Breakfast Meal Service Methods are based on Ohio School Breakfast Challenge Survey Data. Schools may use more than one meal service method for breakfast. Does not include large districts.





2017-18 Annual Membership Campaign

SNA of Ohio is participating in this year's Back to School Membership Drive and we could win big! This drive began on September 1, 2017 and will end on November 30, 2017.

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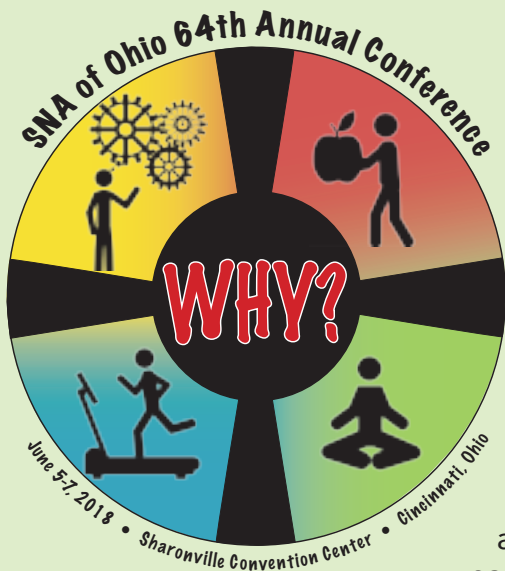
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- The position of **Secretary/Treasurer** is open for a two year term. In this position, you will work with the Executive Committee to oversee the organization's financials, as well as the organization's policy/procedure manual.
- **Regional Director** positions are open for the four regions below for two year terms. In this position, you have a role in Fall Focus and also help to guide Chapters to stay active and informed of changes.
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 - ◆ **Southeast:** Ross, Hocking, Athens, Vinton, Pike, Jackson, Meigs, Gallia, Scioto, and Lawrence Counties.
 - ◆ **North Central:** Ottawa, Sandusky, Erie, Seneca, Huron, Wyandot, Crawford, Richland, Hancock, Lucas, and Wood Counties.

- ◆ **Southwest:** Butler, Warren, Clinton, Hamilton, Clermont, Brown, Highland, and Adams Counties.

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- The position of **Membership Chair** is available next year. This position is appointed by the Executive Committee and is a two year term.
- The position of **Legislation Chair** is also an appointed position available next year. This position is appointed by the Executive Committee and is a two year term.
- The position of **Lead Regional Director** is also an appointed position available next year. This position is current regional director and is appointed by the Executive Committee for a two year term.

We need YOU! I am certain you will find leadership in SNA of Ohio extremely gratifying and educational - and it's also a great networking opportunity with your colleagues across the state! Please contact me by March 1st at lange@mentorschools.org or 440-974-5227 if you have an interest in any of these positions or have any questions at all. Thank you!

Jeni Lange

SNA of Ohio Nominating Committee Chairperson

SNA National Member Awards Information

SNA celebrates members who work every day to ensure well-nourished students across the country are prepared for success. Nominate a colleague you admire by the March 1, 2018 deadline! For more information, visit <https://schoolnutrition.org/Membership/Awards/MemberAwards/>.

SNAC Bites

SNA Membership Matters - Announcing the 2017-2018 SNA Annual Membership Campaign!

SNA is 58,000 members strong! Because membership matters to the school nutrition profession, help SNA recruit new members. Your reward could be the chance to win a registration to ANC 2019! Recruit five or more new members between June 1, 2017 and May 31, 2018 and you will automatically be entered into a drawing to win 1 of 5 VIP registrations to SNA's 2019 Annual National Conference (ANC) in St. Louis, MO. For more details, please visit www.schoolnutrition.org/amc.



New Food Allergy Resource Center for SNA Members

SNA's Food Allergy Resource Center for School Nutrition Professionals has launched! Find all the food allergy resources that you need in one place. From the Big 8 allergens that cause approximately 90% of food allergy reactions, to the Top 10 FAQs, this new resource center will help you find the information that you need to manage food allergies in your child nutrition programs. You can also submit questions to the allergy expert and your questions will be answered by food allergy experts and posted quarterly! Visit www.schoolnutrition.org/FoodAllergy.



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- ◆ Submit your points to SNA by entering your points online to the STEPS website.
- ◆ SNA will hold a prize drawing after all challenges are complete. If you fall in the 50+ points range AND you submit your points to SNA before the 5th of each month, you will be eligible for monthly drawings.

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CHAPTER 2

2017-2018 Spoons Meeting Schedule

All Spoons meetings are on Wednesday & begin at 9:00 a.m. The meetings will be cancelled if Elida Schools cancels. Coffee service provided by Elida Schools. Meetings are held at Immanuel United Methodist Church, 699 Sunnydale, Elida, OH 45807.

DATES	EVENT
Oct 18th	Spoons Meeting
Nov	Fall Chapter Meeting/ SNA Focus Meeting @ Lima City School
Nov 14th	OASBO
Nov 15th	Spoons
Jan 17th	Spoons
Feb 7th	Winter Chapter 2 Meeting @ Shawnee Middle School Host-Rightway Food Service
March 21th	Spoons
April 11th	Spring Chapter 2 Meeting
April 18th	Spoons

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CHAPTER 43

SAND Chapter 43 has 4 meetings planned for this year:

- February 21st
- November 15th
- April 18th

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CHAPTER 78

Chapter 76 is having a Fall Meeting on October 26th @ RG Drage Career Technical Center.

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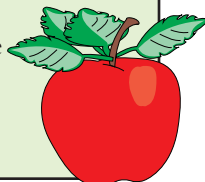
- 2017 SNA of Ohio Fall Focus Workshops
 - ◆ October 3rd - West Central Region
 - ◆ October 19th - Northeast Region
 - ◆ October 25th - North Central Region
 - ◆ November 1st - Northwest Region
 - ◆ November 7th - Southwest Region
- 2017 National School Lunch Week - October 9-13
- 2018 SNA National Industry Conference - January 21-23 - New Orleans, LA
- 2018 SNIC of Ohio Seminar (formerly Spring Industry Seminar) - February 5 - Wilmington, OH
- 2018 National School Breakfast Week - March 5-9
- 2018 Legislative Action Conference - March 4-6 - Washington, DC
- 2018 SNA National Leadership Conference - April 26-29 - Long Beach, CA
- 2018 School Lunch Hero Day - May 4th
- 2018 SNA of Ohio Annual Conference - June 5-7 - Cincinnati, OH
- 2018 Annual National Conference (ANC) - July 9-12 - Las Vegas, NV

SNAC Bites

It's All About the Videos!

SNA has a number of new video resources available to keep you up to date or to add to your state conference line up. Newly available videos are:

1. [SNA Summer 2017 Update Video](#): a brief recap of some of the SNA's highlights and milestones the past year.
2. [ANC 2018 - Save the Date](#): get excited about ANC 2018 in Las Vegas, NV (members only link).
3. [A Word from Your President](#): kick off your annual state conference with a short welcome from SNA President Lynn Harvey (members only link).



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