

# October Newsletter

## Message from the President

Hello!

Welcome to a new year of programming for the Ohio Nutrition Council. This year will bring a variety of speakers that will fill us in on the most recent trends in nutrition and physical activity promotion. We are practicing our profession during an exciting time!

Science is propelling us forward. As we learn more about the interactions between a person's genetic structure and the food they consume, we will have to figure out best methods to translating this information, educating our communities, counseling our clients, and changing food service perspectives to deliver ideal nutrition. I hope you will join us this year as we learn more about the trends in our profession and tips for improving our practice.

I am excited and appreciative for the opportunity to work with a fabulous group of professionals on this year's board! Thank you to all our leaders and volunteers. Want to join us? We have three positions that we need to fill, the Publicity/Awards position, Membership Chair and a Co-Chair for the Scholarships committee. Please contact me at [kennel.3@osu.edu](mailto:kennel.3@osu.edu) if you are interested.

Thanks, Julie



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# Action Items

## Legislation Update

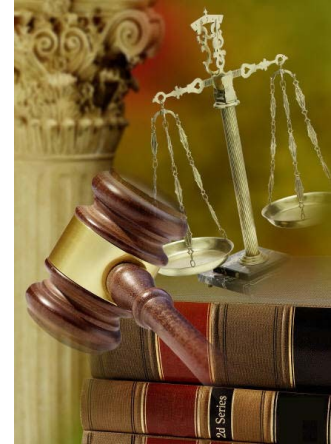
September, 2011 Pat McKnight, MS,RD,LD -- Legislation Chair

**State Issues** There are two current State issues of concern to nutrition professionals. HB 442, essentially the same as last session, is the bill that would allow anyone without defined education, training or standards and with no licensure to practice dietetics, nursing, OT,PT, and most of the health professions. HB 251, oriental medicine, is of concern because it would allow someone, without adequate nutrition expertise, to do counseling on the therapeutic use of foods and supplements. The Ohio Dietetic Association will present testimony in opposition to these bills when hearings are held. We continue to be pleased that Governor Kasich did a line-item veto in the state budget that allowed the BMI screening mandated in last session's SB 210 to remain in effect :) Work is underway to provide resources to school nurses for follow up help as needed.

Other State activity is taking place in agencies as they deal with the Affordable Care Act and new initiatives --- Medicaid Health Homes, Patient Centered Medical Homes, Insurance Exchanges and others. Efforts are being made to see that the nutrition professional is included.

**Federal Issues** Work on the nutrition components of the Older Americans Act and the Farm Bill are underway More on this when it is available. HR 1382 is a bill to authorize The Whitehouse Conference on Food and Nutrition. It has been 42 years since the last conference !! Contact your Member of Congress and ask him/her to co-sponsor this. On the federal level, it takes many co-sponsors to get an issue "moving". Now is the time on this one !!!

If you have questions or concerns on legislative issues, contact Pat



## From the Board...

- \* ONC meeting dates are set: **October 7, December 2, and May 4**
- \* The ONC Biennial Conference (one-day event) will take place in **April 2012** (date TBD); a great list of speakers has been confirmed!
- \* ONC will help sponsor awards and provide judges for the State Science Day **May 5, 2012**
- \* The Board is prioritizing an increase in scholarship monies awarded

# Please Note...

## Treasurer's Report

### Assets:

Cash & bank accounts	
CD 41432251	\$11,193.32 (as of 6/30/11)
Union Savings Checking	\$11,378.23
Total	\$22,571.55
Total Assets	\$22,571.55

### Liabilities & Equity

Liabilities	\$0
Equity	\$22,571.55
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$22,571.55

**Shannon Amos**  
**Director, Afterschool Nutrition**  
**& Education**  
**Children's Hunger Alliance**



## Media Awards

Calling all ONC members! Nominate your favorite nutrition writer or reporter for 2011 for the Ohio Nutrition Council's Media Excellence Award. The purpose of the award is to recognize an individual(s) who has demonstrated outstanding coverage of nutrition related issues for the public produced between January 1, 2011 and January 1, 2012. ONC members can submit their own material if it fits the criteria. Syndicated materials will not be accepted. The application and criteria are included in this newsletter. Deadline for the application is **February 1, 2012.**

**Hope to see  
you there!**

## Meeting Agenda

**Friday, October 7, 2011**

LOCATION: LifeCare Alliance [www.lifecarealliance.org](http://www.lifecarealliance.org) 1699 West Mound Street, Columbus, OH 43223

9:30-10:00a Registration and Networking

10:00-12:00p Adult Therapeutic Formulas Speaker: Jean Deutchle, Senior Institutional Representative, Abbott Specialized Infant Formulas Speaker: Jeff Besozzi, Hospital Specialist with Abbott Nutrition

12:00-1:00p Lunch: Business Meeting and Sharing

1:00p-2:00p Food Allergies – On the Rise? Speaker: TBD

CEUs: 3 (Certificates of Attendance will be available)