

# Northeast Area News

2009 – 2010



*Connecticut, New York, Vermont, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Michigan and New Jersey and Canada: Labrador, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Prince Edward Islands, and Quebec*

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## Greetings from the Northeast Area Director!

Well, summer is over and we're back to school again. I hope you all had a great summer! I know I had a great time at the NAEOP Annual Conference in Minnesota and if you were unable to attend we missed you. I hope you will start making plans to attend next year's conference in Kansas City, Missouri.

Right now we have 520 NAEOP members from Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Vermont. I challenge you to recruit new members and increase our membership in the Northeast Area! You can find the form to register on the NAEOP.org website under Membership or you can email or call me and I will

send you a membership form. Being a member of NAEOP is a very rewarding experience.

## Northeast Area Breakfast in Bloomington, MN

It was wonderful to see so many of the Northeast area members at our breakfast in Bloomington, Minnesota. We had 39 members present. It's great to put a face with the names. I'm hoping that next year more Northeast Area members will be able to attend. We had a great time networking by playing a *Getting to Know You* game and doing a service project for the soldiers in Iraq. A short presentation was made on *Balancing Work and Life*. If you have any ideas or suggestions for next year's area breakfast please let me know.

*Betty Napolitano*, CEO  
Northeast Area Director & NAEOP  
Awards Committee Chair



President Linda Tribble congratulates Patty DeFilio from Connecticut for receiving her PSP and her CEOE



Northeast Area members at the breakfast meeting in Bloomington, Minnesota in July.

## Welcome to the New Northeast Area Members!

### **New Hampshire**

Jane Nichols  
Katherine Sullivan

### **New York**

Kathleen Adams  
Patricia Barth  
Kathryn DeMott  
Katherin Jarvis  
Robin Olkowski  
Kristina Sampson  
Carol Smith  
Sheryl Swett  
Sharon Valderrama

### **Ohio**

Lori Bulkoski  
Leanne Long

### **Pennsylvania**

Lisa Guiser  
Amy Myers  
Nancy Pieczynski  
Concetta Scavo  
Mary Lou Stroud  
Cindy Teets

## News from the States

### CONNECTICUT

The Connecticut Association of Educational Office Professionals will be holding their Annual Fall Conference on October 16, 2009 at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel in Meriden, Connecticut. A networking dinner will take place the evening of October 15, at Jacoby's Restaurant in Meriden also. The theme this year is "Set Goals and Reach for the Stars". Connecticut is excited to welcome NAEOP President Pam Posey as keynote speaker who is offering a workshop "Explore Your Talents and Let Your Light Shine" and "Membership Revitalization". Mary Sumerall will present "Genus and Species of an Office Professional". The Connecticut association is proud to announce they will be presenting an award for the Connecticut Office Professional of the Year for the first time. If you would like more information about this conference you can either contact Elizabeth Napolitano at [ENapolitano@wallingford.k12.ct.us](mailto:ENapolitano@wallingford.k12.ct.us) or go to the website at [Wallingford.k12.ct.us/CAEOP](http://Wallingford.k12.ct.us/CAEOP).

### PENNSYLVANIA

#### PAEOP Planning Fall Workshop

The start of a new school year brings a newness and excitement about fresh opportunities that lie ahead. PA Association of Educational Office Professionals is sponsoring an exciting opportunity for professional development through its third Fall Workshop. This workshop will take place on Friday, October 23 at the PA School Boards Association Office in Mechanicsburg, PA. A wonderful day of learning, networking, and laughing has been arranged. The morning session will be facilitated by Annarose Ingarrá-Milch and her husband, Charles, who will help workshop attendees to bridge the communication gap between the sexes. Workshop participants will engage in a time of laughter in the afternoon with certified laugh leader, Elaine Boltz, and discover how humor in the workplace benefits all of us on many levels. This workshop is a must attend for educational office professionals during these stressful economic times. Last year's fall workshop boasted almost 100 attendees and anticipation is building for this year's fall workshop. Details and a registration flyer can be found at the PAEOP website at [www.paeop.org](http://www.paeop.org).

**VERMONT**

The Vermont Association of Educational Office Professionals will be hosting their 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting and Conference on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 at Mount Abraham Union High School in Bristol, Vermont.

The theme for this year's exciting conference is "Peak Performance" which will focus on encouraging ways for each person to achieve their individual and unique potentials.

Workshops will include:

Life is Not a Dress Rehearsal (NAEOP Past -president Linda Tribble)

Technology: Beyond E-mail (Lauren Parren)

Staying Healthy at Work (Kim Jacobs)

RAD (Rape, Aggression & Defense) (Officer Boe – Middlebury Police Dept)

Virtually Organized (Porter Knight)

And the Winner is.... (VAEOP President Cheri Goldrick)

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**OHIO**

Educational Office Professionals of Ohio will host a fall conference on October 23, 2009 at the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center in Brecksville, Ohio. The theme will follow the President's theme of *What's In It for Me? (Our Changing Times!)*. Dr. Celena Roebuck, Assistant Superintendent, Cuyahoga Valley Career Center will offer the welcome. Workshops to be offered will be:

- Women's Health, Medical Mutual of Ohio
- Safety in Today's Schools, Sargeant Bill Goodrich, Brecksville Police Department
- Personal Productivity, Nitian Julka from Smart Solutions

Following the conference we are having an all day Board retreat on 10/24/09. We will be discussing new ways to recruit members, some legislative issues and a mission statement. President Donita Smith [Smithd@greatoaks.com](mailto:Smithd@greatoaks.com)

**NEW YORK**

The New York State AEOP will be holding their fall conference from October 22-24, 2009 at the Woodcliff Hotel and Spa in Fairport, New York.



### **Benefits of NAEOP Membership**

The National Association of Educational Office Professionals (NAEOP) provides the opportunity for members to enhance their professional competencies through academic programs, conferences, and institutes. These incentive activities enable the members to take progressive steps to their desired professional growth level. Each Professional Standards Program certificate is based on requirements in three areas: education, experience, and professional activity. Filing dates for PSP applications are as follows: January 15, May 15, and September 15. You will also appreciate the networking with other members and through information through the *NES Connector* magazine. For more information go to [NAEOP.org](http://NAEOP.org).

### **Information**

A *Northeast Area Newsletter* goes out by email to all Northeast Area members quarterly each year. If you have any information you would like to have included please contact me. You can include conference information, pictures, information about your association, etc.

The Northeast Area is represented on the National Board by myself, Cheri Goldrick from Vermont, and Cathy Eberle from New York. Wendy Heslink was elected at Advisory Council of the NAEOP Annual Conference to serve on the Public Relations & Publications Committee.

I invite you to join us in Kansas City, Missouri for the 2010 Annual Conference from July 5 – 9, 2010.

### **Questions?**

For more information about NAEOP or the Northeast Area, please contact me. I'm here to serve you as your Northeast Area Director and I would love to hear from you.

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*Always remember that you are absolutely unique. Just like everyone else.*  
-Margaret Mead

## Start of School with 60's Movies

The Birds (1963) scamper outside your window, inviting you to contemplate The Great Escape (1963), but after a small Breakfast at Tiffany's (1961) you're ready to face The Longest Day (1962).

Your workday begins with the Swiss Family Robinson (1960) waiting at the door to enroll their children two days before school starts. Once again you become The Miracle Worker (1962) and with True Grit (1969) the children and parents leave with class schedules, Easy Rider (1969) bus numbers, supply lists and locker combinations in hand. Other than a stop at the Nurse's office to see Dr. Zhivago (1965), all is ready for the first day.

New teacher Faces (1968) scan their check lists, while The Wild Bunch (1969) share stories of previous school years and vacations, especially one postcard that reads: From Russia with Love (1963).

With The Endless Summer (1966) bringing The Days of Wine and Roses (1962) to a close, you say Goodbye Mr. Chips (1969) and Candy (1968), as you are now in the Battle of the Bulge (1965).

With the click of the lock, the day is over, and you are Born Free (1966) to recline with The Sound of Music (1965) playing in the background.

***Welcome to a new school year.***

*Dawn E. Oryszak*

*Rush-Henrietta Central School District*