

Southeast Area Newsletter

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Welcome to the Southeast Area! My name is Melissa Carpenter and I am serving as your Southeast Area director and Special Projects Chairman. We are looking forward to Kansas City, Missouri in July. Checkout the NAEOP Website and Southeast Area page at www.naeop.org/area_southeast.

Thank you for becoming a member of the National Association of Educational Office Professionals for the 2009-2010 association year. If you have not renewed your membership, I would like to encourage each of you to renew your membership with NAEOP and recruit new members to join our wonderful organization.

SOUTHEAST AREA OFFICERS

Melissa Carpenter, CEOE, MS - Director
 Mimi Pike, CEOE, KY - Secretary
 Pat Whitley, MS - Treasurer
 Ida Brown Philson, CEOE, LA - Professional Development Seminar Chairman

SOUTHEAST AREA STATES

Alabama
 Arkansas
 Florida
 Georgia
 Kentucky
 Louisiana
 Mississippi
 Tennessee
 Africa
 Bermuda
 Caribbean Areas

SOUTHEAST AREA PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR HIGHLIGHTS

Louisiana Association of Educational Office Professionals hosted the Southeast Area Professional Development Seminar March 19-21, 2010, at the Sheraton Conference Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

We had over 50 in attendance from Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana and Mississippi. LAEOP did an outstanding job. Special thanks to states who donated door prizes and baskets. Special thanks to Ida Brown Philson for serving as seminar chairman and doing a wonderful job. The workshops were very informative, fun, interactive and presenters did a marvelous job. Our National President Pam Posey presented Marching to the Beat of a Different Drummer. S. Lynn Dogan Gobert presented Financial Management; Patricia J. Billups and Bernestine B. McGee presented Healthy, Wealthy and Wise.

Our next professional development seminar will be held in Mississippi. We will have more details at our area breakfast in Kansas City.

SOUTHEAST AREA AFFILIATE SPOTLIGHT

Louisiana Association of Educational Office Professionals organized in 1979 through the efforts of Jeanette Watkins and Gwendolyn Carriere and others who felt that it was time that educational office employees in Louisiana were recognized for their work above and beyond the call of duty.

LAEOP has spent the last several years reorganizing after Hurricane Katrina. Their membership is over 55 members and looking to increase this total before the 2011 annual conference to be held in North Louisiana Shreveport/Bossier City area. Joyce Jones filled the shoes of deceased president Brenda Mims. Joyce has done a great job and we thank her for her contributions.

Louisiana Association of Educational Office Professionals hosted the Southeast Professional Development Seminar March 19-21, 2010, at the Sheraton Conference Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. LAEOP just completed its 31st Annual Conference themed "Team Work Plus Togetherness Equal LAEOP" March 17-19, 2010, at the Sheraton Conference Center in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. They had a successful conference with four state affiliates in attendance. The inspiring keynote speaker was Attorney Domoine Rutledge, General Counsel of the East Baton Rouge School System and the National President of Southern University Alumni Federation. Southeast Area Director Melissa Carpenter installed the 2010-2011 officers during the installation breakfast. Officers include Edwina Ford, President-Elect/President Interim; Tanya Brumfield, Vice President; Debbie Breland, Secretary; Carrie Bowie-Bob, Treasurer; Barbara Bobo, Member-at-Large, North; Gloria Boykins, Member-at-Large, South; and Joyce C. Jones, Immediate Past President.

SOUTHEAST AREA MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Ida Brown Philson was born October 16, 1928, and is the second of five siblings. She is a 1946 graduate from McKinley High School. She received a 1947 diploma in Secretarial Science from Spaulding Business College and a 1948 diploma from Church Secretarial Program. Mrs. Philson has over 60 years of professional clerical experience with 39 of which was done at Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She loves sewing, cooking and baking pies and cakes.

Mrs. Philson is a charter member of LAEOP and SUBRAEOP and a life member of NAEOP. She has a biological daughter; one inherited daughter and two spiritual daughters; two grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. She loves the Lord and thanks him daily for all that He has done for her in the past, in the present and what He will do for her in the future. She is a member of St. Pilgrim Baptist church in Baton Rouge, LA, and the Nazarene Baptist Church in Brusly, LA where her husband

pastors. Mrs. Ida is married to the Reverend Dr. Lawrence Philson, Jr. She served this year as the Southeast chairman for the professional development seminar held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Spotlight a Member or an Affiliate in the next newsletter! If you have a member or an affiliate who you would like to be highlighted in the next Newsletter, please submit information to melissa.carpenter@usm.edu by June 18 for consideration.

DATES AND DEADLINES TO REMEMBER

May 14 – Advisory Council Forms, *Keeping Affiliates Active* Newsletter and PSP filing deadline

May 17 – National Educational Bosses Week

May 31 – Memorial Day and National Office closed

June 14 – Flag Day

June 20 – Father's Day

July 5-9 – NAEOP 76th Annual Conference in Kansas City, MO

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Robbie Climer, AR

Stacy Gonza, AR

Terry Layne, AR

Heather Mears, AR

Denise Nunnley, AR

Kim Riegler, AR

Nina Scaife, AR

Jeanette Zambrana, AR

Margaret McKeefry, FL

Kelly Zelaya, FL

Beverly Balloon, GA

Jacqueline Geisel, KY

Chrissy Gill, MS

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Cheryl Jones-Shaw, MS

Joycelyn Mallory, MS

LaTrice McDonald, MS

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Mae Robinson, MS

Mary Thomas, MS



Mark your calendars!

NAEOP 76th Annual Conference will be held in Kansas City, Missouri July 5-9 at the Westin Hotel. For more details checkout conference information at www.naeop.org. Join your fellow Southeast Area members for breakfast Thursday, July 8 at 7:30 a.m.

PSP/CEOE RECIPIENTS

Let's see who will be featured next!

SOUTHEAST AREA AFFILIATES

Arkadelphia AEOP
 Arkansas AEOP
 Arkansas AEOP Past Presidents
 Duval AEOP
 Florida AEOP
 Fort Smith AEOP
 Fort Smith Frontier AEOP
 Hardin County AEOP
 Hattiesburg AEOP
 Hinds County AEOP
 Kentucky AEOP
 Louisiana AEOP
 Mississippi AEOP
 Mississippi AEOP Past Presidents
 MS Gulf Coast Community College AEOP
 NAEOP Past Educational Office Professionals
 North Little Rock AEOP
 Oak Ridge AEOP
 Ole Miss AEOP
 Ozark Unlimited Resources AEOP
 Pascagoula AEOP
 Pasco County AEOP
 Sarasota County AEOP
 The University of Southern Mississippi AOP

AFFILIATE NEWS FLASH

We want to hear from all affiliate presidents. To affiliate, go to <http://www.naeop.org> and download the forms and check out what is available to you as a member and affiliate. Affiliate early so you can receive all the many wonderful benefits NAEOP has to offer its affiliates. Affiliates can send articles to Linda Sockwell, CEOE, at linda.sockwell@risd.org NES Connector Editor, and articles for *Keeping Affiliates Active* to Lola Young at lyoung5@unl.edu.

SOUTHEAST AREA AFFILIATES NEWS

Mississippi Association of Educational Office Professionals annual conference will be held June

10-12 at the Whispering Woods Hotel and Conference Center in Olive Branch, MS. Contact Jewel Adams, Vice President at jewel.adams@usm.edu for more information or checkout www.usm.edu/maeop for registration information.

If your affiliate did not appear in this issue, then let us hear from you soon so you can be featured in the next edition.

SPECIAL PROJECTS



As Special Projects chairman, our battle cry is "show me the green" to assist in raising funds for NAEOP. Special Projects committee functions to provide the mechanics necessary to carry out any special projects as approved by the Board of Directors. Please consider volunteering for this committee by submitting your contact information to melissa.carpenter@usm.edu.

The Committee is working on items to sell during the Kansas City Conference in July and we need your help. Chris Walsh has graciously agreed to make an afghan for us to auction during the conference. If you would like to participate, please send knitted and crocheted squares to Chris so she can assemble it prior to the conference. Standard size is 7" x 9" – and large size is 12" x 12". This conglomeration of colors and styles will make an unusual and beautiful afghan from donated pieces from many states. Chris is looking forward to putting it all together! Please send them to her at 14925 Mockingbird LN E, Clearwater, FL 33760.

We are encouraging states and affiliates to bring a basket for us to take chances during the conference (please be mindful of those who win the basket that travel by air). The Special Projects Committee is also looking at holding a silent auction in July. If you have an item to donate, please contact the chairman at melissa.carpenter@usm.edu.

NAREOP SERVICE PROJECT 2010

As in previous year, the retirees will have a service project that will be recognized at our national conference in Kansas City, MO. This years' project involves two Child Advocacy Centers, one in Stockton, IL and one in Columbia, MO. These centers provide a central location for abused children to get the help they need to again be in a safe surrounding. The center in Stockton is Tyler's

Justice Center, and the center in Columbia is Rainbow House. Both facilities have a website if you would like to see the good work they do. They are: www.tylersjusticecenter.org and www.rainbowhousecolumbia.org. I am happy to report that NAEOP, under the direction of President

Pam Posey, is again partnering with NAREOP, and will be donating as well. The following is a list of items either or both of the centers could use. If you would like to contribute, but cannot attend conference, you may send the items to Martha Carson, 2010 Retiree Liaison at 3002 Farmdale Lane, Freeport, IL 61032 or call 815.233.4310. If you will be attending, you can bring your donations to the Retirees breakfast meeting on Tuesday morning or give them to any NAREOP member. Thank you for your support in advance.

- Wal-Mart gift cards (any denomination)
- McDonalds gift certificates
- Postage stamps (Forever stamps)
- Glade Plug-Ins and replacements
- Individually packaged snacks
- 2-hour unopened and recordable blank DVD+R
- Board games – Guess Who, Hi Ho! Cherry-O, Tiddlywinks, etc.
- Individually packaged toy cars, Nerf footballs/baseballs, etc.
- Blank books and journals
- Clay or play dough
- Birthday cards
- Baby bottles
- Pacifiers
- Hair barrettes
- Infant Tylenol
- Children's Tylenol
- Children's Robitussin
- Triaminic – all ages

SPECIAL NOTES OF INTEREST

The Southeast Area has 521 members. Let's have an increase by the next edition of the newsletter! Remember to affiliate with NAEOP and continue to recruit new members!

Remember to keep Butch Bender, Billie Mikesell and Family and all those who are sick and in bereavement in your thoughts and prayers.

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