

UPDATES FROM YOUR CEA-OHIO PRESIDENT - **Janet Carter**

**MEMBERSHIP**

A review of the membership data for CEA-Ohio has revealed that there are currently only 29 paid members. Many of you renew at the conference each year. With not having a conference in 2020 we are sure that many of you may have simply forgotten to renew your membership. We are encouraging each of you to go ahead and renew your membership as soon as possible. Here is the link to renew directly on the National CEA website: <https://cea-ohio.org/>

**Ohio has a great reputation of the being one of the states with the highest number of members – help us keep that reputation going strong!**

**ELECTIONS**

If you wish to be considered for the office of Secretary, Treasurer, or Vice-President, please complete the **declaration of candidacy form that is posted on the website**. You may self-nominate or nominate somebody else. You may either mail your form to P.O. Box 1212, Grove City, Ohio 43123 or sign, scan and email it to Jennifer Fornal at jen@fornal.org. Elections will begin in January. You will receive your voting ballot by U.S. Mail. Therefore, please be sure that your correct, current, mailing address is on file with CEA National. We cannot make changes to the mailing address – so you will need to contact National if yours is incorrect. We want to be sure that everybody has equal opportunity to cast their votes.
For you to receive a ballot you must be a paid member in good standing.

**2021 CONFERENCE**

While we do not yet know exactly what all the options will be for the 2020-2021 conference the executive committee has already begun to search for a venue and secure bids. Stay tuned as updates will be provided periodically.

**SILENT AUCTION**

A HUGE thank you to our silent auction chairperson, Michael Peck. With his hard work the silent auction raised a little over $600 from our first on-line auction. Many thanks to those of you who continued to support this endeavor – proceeds will go towards the expenses incurred to send the teacher of the year to the regional conference.

**WEBSITE**

Current CEA-O secretary, Nikki Lewis, has done an awesome job building the new CEA-O website. Please take some time to familiarize yourself with it as we will be utilizing the website for as much correspondence as possible. When accessing https://cea-ohio.org/ it is best to use Chrome.

**T-SHIRTS**

There have been some inquiries for additional T-shirts. One box of shirts was lost in the mail and is currently in the tracking process. We only ordered the numbers that were provided but the board has approved to do another small order to replace those that were lost and to fulfill the requests for additional shirts. This will complete the T-shirt project and no further shirts will be ordered after December 1, 2020.

Should you have any additional questions feel free to email me at jmctoy2015@gmail.com.