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Retired Spring Conference 2024

Tuesday, March 26, 2024 9:45 AM—12:30 PM

Registration is open for the *NEOEA-R Spring Conference* which will be held at the NEOEA Conference Center in **Mayfield Heights**. Presenters include:

Jeanne Melvin—*Public Education Partners (PEP)*: The leading volunteer advocacy group for public education in Ohio.

Dale Braun—*Edward Jones*: Basic information on investing to supplement retirement and build wealth, meeting needs for retirement, future expenses, and other goals.

Tamla Cole—*STRS*: Updates, changes, and trends.

Jeff Wensing—*OEA Vice President*: Get the latest information on the legislative front.

Space is limited and registration will close on March 15 or when we reach capacity.

The conference flyer has additional details and a registration form:

<https://neoea.org/files/RetiredSpringConf2024.pdf>

OEA Fund Bowling Tournaments



You may join North Eastern OEA Members and their families from across the NEOEA Area for fun evenings of bowling and camaraderie.

The events will include complimentary food and beverages and bowlers and spectators alike will be entered to win prizes throughout the evening. Three inaugural events have been planned at various locations throughout the NEOEA District.

When: **Saturday, March 23rd, 2024**

Where: **Westside Bowl, 2617 Mahoning Ave., Youngstown, OH 44509**

Time: Doors Open at 1:30 PM. Bowling Begins at 2:00 PM

More information and registration: <https://oefund.info/neoeamahbowling>

When: **Saturday, April 6th, 2024**

Where: **Nautical Bowling Lanes, 184 Miller Road., Avon Lake, OH 44012**

Time: Doors Open at 1:30 PM. Bowling Begins at 2:00 PM

More information and registration: <https://oefund.info/neoeafirebowling>

When: **Saturday, April 13th, 2024**

Where: **Spins Bowl – Independence, 5619 Brecksville Rd., Independence OH, 44131**

Time: Doors Open at 1:30 PM. Bowling Begins at 2:00 PM

More information and registration: <https://oefund.info/neoeaclebowling>



OEA-R Spring Conference

Thursday, April 25, 2024

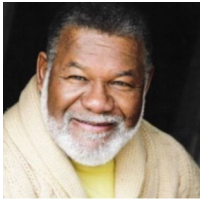


The 2024 OEA-R Conference will be held at the Dayton International Peace Museum from 10:00AM-2:00PM. Founded in 2004, The International Peace Museum raises awareness of nonviolent strategies for achieving peace now and in the future. A \$25.00 fee provides individual and docent led tour and networking.

More information and a registration form is available at <https://oea-r.ohea.us/files/2024/03/OEAR-2024-Spring-Conference-flyer.pdf>

Zoom with Freedom Fighter and Civil Rights Activist Charles Black!

Tuesday, April 23rd at 7 p.m.



The OEA-Retired Racial and Social Justice Committee is excited to host a Zoom talk with the civil rights activist, historian and actor, Charles Black. Let's listen to the stories of the past so we can make plans to win education justice for our students, schools, and communities. Come listen to his story of how he stood with Dr. King and other foot soldiers to make change happen then and listen to how we can make change happen now! All OEA members are invited to join us during this discussion. Event Flyer <https://www.ohea.org/cms/assets/uploads/2024/02/OEAR-Racial-Social-Justice-BookStudy-Charles-Black-Flyer.pdf>

KSEA Mentorship

Volunteers needed for August 2024

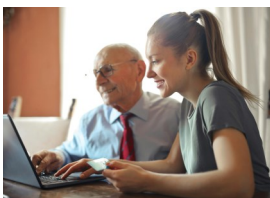


Photo by Andrea Piacquadio

Kent Student Education Association (KSEA) will finish our 15th year at Kent in June this year. We have had a very successful year 2023-2024 to June with Mentees. We have gone back to Mentoring virtually (email, phone and facetime) plus adding campus visits. Working virtually has been successful

because of students' busy schedules and some members located long distances from Kent.

The program will start in September and October. Additional mentors are always needed. Thank you to all the Mentors that have volunteered for this program. We are the only such program in OEA.

We will match you with students that are in majors familiar to you from your time in the classroom. You will become their Professional Friend, someone to talk to, listen and share experiences of college life in today's classrooms.

If you have questions or want to volunteer, please contact me!

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OEA-R Report



Read Across America: Read for Democracy – began March 1st. The OEA-R virtual library link is <https://ohea.org/resources/all/oear-read-across-america>

OEA-R is still accepting readers, if you are interested contact Phil Long palcisv13@gmail.com.

OEA-R is planning webinars; **Technology for Retires**, on April 22, 2024 at 6pm. and **So You Are Turning 65** on May 6, 2024 – providing information about Medicare and STRS for an easy transition. More information will be coming soon through e-mail or the OEA-R or NEOEA-R websites.

Donna Smoot Walters

NEOEA-R Representative

OEA-R Advisory Council

Join OEA-R and NEA-R

Your first year of membership in OEA-Retired is free (courtesy of OEA) when you join the National Education Association-Retired. OEA-R/NEA-R Life memberships are available and you can join either online or via a mail in form. Visit <https://oea-r.ohea.us/join/how-to-join/> for rates and additional details.

Retired Delegates to the NEA Representative Assembly



OEA-R members have received ballots both by e-mail and US mail. The following persons are seeking to serve you as delegates from NEOEA: Jene' Wilson, Peg Ham, Steven D. Mitchell and Diallas York. Please support the candidates from NEOEA-R as you cast your ballot.

Holden Arboretum

Tuesday, May 21, 2024



Based on responses from our Activities Survey, we are planning a strictly fun event for our members and friends as we visit the Holden Arboretum in Kirtland. In addition to the gardens, Canopy Walk and Boardwalk an optional Tram tour will also be available.

Watch your e-mail or visit our website for Registration information and additional NEOEA-R events which will follow on the heels of the Arboretum tour.

<https://holdenfg.org/holden-arboretum/plan-your-visit/>

Legislative Receptions



NEOEA's annual legislative receptions are a project of the Legislative Committee. NEOEA invites all northeastern Ohio members of the Ohio General

Assembly and Ohio Board of Education to attend. We provide each legislator and board member a moment of microphone time as well as the opportunity to dine with NEOEA's local leaders, including members of the NEOEA-R Organizing Committee

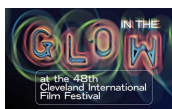
Understanding GPO/WEP Webinar Replay



OEA presented an educational Webinar regarding the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and the Government Pension Offset (GPO), two provisions in the Social Security

Act that were created with the intent of equally treating workers who pay Social Security taxes throughout their careers and those who do not pay Social Security taxes on all of their earnings. The provisions have caused nearly 2 million American workers to be denied benefits because they chose to enter public service. The Webinar Recording is available <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s1uYH6IsQAQ>

Cleveland International Film Festival



CIFF48, takes place **April 3-13, 2024** at Playhouse Square! You may also participate in some Festival events leading up to, and during CIFF48.

CIFF is hosting a few Cinemas Preview events, giving film enthusiasts a sneak peek at some of the films that will be on screen at CIFF48. Each event will feature previews of select trailers of films in this year's lineup, as well as complimentary film vouchers, Film Guides, and light snacks. Preview events are free and open to the public. Visit www.clevelandfilm.org for details.

Affiliate Conferences



- ◆ NEA ESP National Conference - March 22-24 - Las Vegas NV
- ◆ Ohio Association of Special Needs Professionals - April 26-27
- ◆ OEA Summer Leadership Academy – June 20-22
- ◆ NEOEA Summer Leadership – July 17-18

NEOEA Discounts at Playhouse Square



NEOEA members have discounts for highly-anticipated shows in the KeyBank Broadway Series.

- ◆ **Annie** – Mar 19-24 | Connor Palace
- ◆ **The Merry Wives of Windsor** – Mar 22-Apr 7 | Hanna
- ◆ **Stomp** - Apr 17-21 | Connor Palace
- ◆ **Always...Patsy Cline** – Apr 26-May 19 | Hanna Theatre
- ◆ **Company** - Apr 30-May 19 | Connor Palace
- ◆ **Back to the Future** - Jun 11-Jul 7 | KeyBank State
- ◆ **MJ** – Jul 16-Aug 11 | KeyBank State Theatre

Use promo code listed in the Playhouse Square area of Announcements at neoea.org, accessible after logging in, and save up to 65% off select performances and seating locations with reduced handling fees! GET TICKETS: <https://tickets.playhousesquare.org/g04/Online/default.asp>

NEA & OEA Discounts



<https://www.ohea.org/member-center/member-benefits/>

- ◆ **NEA Member Benefits:** For questions call 1.800.637.4636 (toll free); <https://www.neamb.com/>
- ◆ **NEA Student Debt Navigator:** <https://www.neamb.com/products/nea-student-debt-navigator>
- ◆ **NEA Travel Dollars**—Enroll in NEA Travel and receive \$500 Travel Dollars to use like cash when you book a vacation. <https://www.neamb.com/products/nea-travel-dollars>

- ◆ **NEA Discount Marketplace:** <https://www.neamb.com/products/nea-discount-marketplace>
- ◆ **OEA ACCESS:** <https://ohea.accessdevelopment.com/>
- ◆ **OEA/NEA Attorney Referral and Discount Information:** <https://neoea.org/files/ARP.pdf>
- ◆ **NEOEA Member Benefits:** <https://neoea.org/Education-Union/Member-Benefits>
- ◆ **Rocket Mortgage Fieldhouse:** <https://www.rocketmortgagefieldhouse.com/group/detail/fieldhouseplus> Code: OEA22

NEOEA Discounts

Visit <https://neoea.org/Education-Union/Member-Benefits>

- ◆ **Bedrooms Today:** <https://neoea.org/MemberData/2019-01-BedroomsToday.pdf>
- ◆ **Best Benefits Club:** <https://bestbenefitsclub.com/>
- ◆ **Bright Now! Dental:** <https://www.brightnow.com/>
<https://neoea.org/files/BrightNowFlyer.pdf>
- ◆ **Ohio Educational Credit Union:** <https://neoea.org/MemberData/ohecu-loan.pdf>
- ◆ **Park Place:** Discount airport parking: <https://neoea.org/MemberData/ParkPlace.pdf>

- ◆ **Great Lakes Science Center:** <https://greatscience.com/educators>

NEOEA-R Calendar

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March	Read Across America
Mar 18	NEOEA Legislative Receptions
Mar 23	OEA Fund Bowling—Youngstown
Mar 26	NEOEA-R Spring Conference
Apr 6	OEA Fund Bowling—Avon Lake
Apr 13	OEA Fund Bowling—Independence
Apr 20	NEOEA Representative Assembly - Orange HS
Apr 22	OEA-R Technology for Retirees
Apr 25	OEA-R Spring Conference
Apr 20	NEOEA Representative Assembly - Orange HS
May 6	OEA-R So You Are Turning 65
May 8	OEA-R Lobby Day—Columbus
May 21	Holden Arboretum
May 9-11	OEA Representative Assembly
Jun 20-22	OEA Summer Leadership
Jun 29-30	NEA-R Annual Meeting
Jul 3-7	NEA Annual Meeting
Jul 18-19	NEOEA Summer Leadership

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