



NEWSLETTER

AYP NATIONAL CONFERENCE REPORT

The National AYP Conference was held May 6–9 at the Shingle Creek Resort in Orlando. It was an outstanding conference, although registration numbers were down because of the current economic environment that every YMCA seems to be experiencing. Doug Kohl, National AYP President and Chapter

34 member said, “It was an outstanding conference with great speakers, world class entertainment, and at a beautiful location.” If you have never been to an AYP National Conference, be sure to make plans now to attend the next conference that will be in 2012 in Colorado.

Have you read Doug Kohl’s article in the most recent issue of Perspective? Under Personal Development it is entitled “AYP and You: A Professional Affiliation You will Treasure.” Don’t miss it!

EAF APPEAL “YOUR HELP IS NEEDED”

The Emergency Assistance Fund (EAF) is an AYP Member Support Program that provides financial aid to colleagues when an accident, illness, death of a loved one, disaster or an other crisis strikes and needed help is limited or has been exhausted. Since its inception in 1904, the EAF has made over 1,700 grants

to both active and retired directors or their families. If you have not made a contribution to the EAF this year, we hope that you would consider it now. For more information visit the AYP website at www.aypymca.org or contact Clint Simons, Chapter 34 EAF Chairman at 440-352-3303 or send your contribution to AYP Executive Office, 12 Broad Street, Suite 201, Westerly, RI 02891.

MEMBERSHIP & PARTICIPATION

Join the Group!

Do you know a YMCA colleague that is not a member of AYP? Invite them to join today! The AYP is our organization and we need the support of every YMCA professional and their participation at

chapter and national events. For more information about membership, contact Jessica Martin, Membership Chairman at 440-428-5125 or jmartin@lakecountyyymca.org.

AYP Mission Statement and Operating Principles: To advance the YMCA profession, connect and support AYP members, encourage life-long learning, enhance personal career development, advocate on issues of concern to AYP members, promote high ethical standards and Christian values, and recognize individual achievement and excellence.





JUNE EVENT at CUYAHOGA VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

The June 26 event was a great day of team building and fun!

Thanks to Jessica Martin and Clint Simons of the Lake County YMCA, for developing an outstanding scavenger hunt through the Cuyahoga Valley National Park. We met at the Ledges Shelter at 9:30 AM, split into four teams and spent the next 2½ hours hiking, taking pictures and documenting the beauty of this magnificent park. Congratulations to team "HONESTY," who took the Grand Prize of free registration to the November 6 AYP Event.



Honesty Team

The November Gathering will be November 6!

Mark your calendars and plan now to attend the Chapter 34 Fall training event that will be held on Friday, November 6. Exact details will be coming soon, but this is sure to be an event that you do not want to miss.

We will be honoring those individuals deserving of special recognition including Director of the Year, Rookie of the Year, CEO of the Year, and others. Always a great event, clear your calendar and plan to attend.



WANT TO BE ON THE BOARD? HERE IS YOUR CHANCE!

Board members needed - Interested in serving on the AYP Chapter 34 board? The board is looking for individuals with leadership skills, fresh ideas, and a desire to help improve our professional organization. Contact Keith Lands, Chapter President at 330-364-5511 or keith@tuscymca.org if you are interested in being a part of this great group of colleagues.



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Member Associations

YMCA of Akron, YMCA of Alliance, YMCA of Ashland, YMCA of Ashtabula County, YMCA of Central Stark County, YMCA of Greater Cleveland, Defiance Area YMCA, YMCA of East Liverpool, Fayette County YMCA, YMCA of Findlay, Galion Community Center YMCA, Geary Family YMCA of Fostoria, Hardin County YMCA, Don M. & Margaret Hilliker YMCA, Lake County YMCA, YMCA of Lima, YMCA of Mansfield, Marion Family YMCA, YMCA of Orrville, Putnam County YMCA, YMCA of Sandusky County, YMCA of Sandusky, Tiffin Community YMCA, YMCA of Greater Toledo, YMCA of Trumbull County, Tuscarawas County YMCA, YMCA of Van Wert County, Wapakoneta Family YMCA, YMCA of Western Stark County, Williams County YMCA, YMCA of Wooster, and YMCA of Youngstown.