

Ohio Township Association County Memo



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June Board Meeting Minutes

Following each Ohio Township Association (OTA) Board meeting, the Association, per OTA Constitution, distributes meeting minutes to all county association officers.

Please find enclosed a copy of the June 10 board meeting minutes. If you have any questions about the minutes or the items discussed, please contact an OTA officer, board member or OTA Executive Director Matt DeTemple. For past copies of minutes, contact Director of Governmental Affairs Heidi Fought, at 614-863-0045, or fought@ohiotownships.org.

Scholarship Application Available

The Ohio Township Association is offering three scholarships in 2012 in the amount of \$1,500 each. Two Local Government Achievement scholarships and one Academic Achievement scholarship will be awarded.

Students must be high school seniors during the 2011-2012 school year, be a U.S. resident, reside in one of Ohio's 1,308 townships, and plan to attend a two or four-year Ohio college or university in the fall of 2012. Muskingum University is administering the program in 2012, and applications are due Jan. 27, 2012.

The application is available online at www.ohiotownships.org, is included in this packet and was published in the September/October issue of the *Ohio Township News*. We encourage you to distribute the application to high schools and other student groups in your area.

The OTA accepts scholarship donations from both county township associations and on an individual basis. Additionally, a percentage of OTA merchandise sold is also attributed to the fund.

REMINDER

As 2012 is an OTA election year, county reorganization meetings must be held between Nov. 15, 2011, and Jan. 6, 2012. County officer information must be updated through the OTA so current officers receive Association updates and the County Directory can be mailed.

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2012 Scholarship Application

REQUIREMENTS

All applicants must be U.S. citizens; be high school seniors during the 2011-2012 academic year; reside in an Ohio township; and, plan to attend an accredited two or four-year Ohio college or university in the fall. One Academic Achievement Scholarship will be awarded and two Local Government Achievement. Students are permitted to apply for both scholarships, however, two separate packets must be mailed, and they are only eligible to receive one.

Academic Achievement Scholarship

This scholarship is for students who have displayed above average levels of academic achievement. Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Have at least a B average (cumulative)
- Have at least a 22 ACT or 1000 SAT score

Local Government Achievement Scholarship

This scholarship will recognize outstanding and innovative leadership efforts with a school, group or club, informal network or organization. Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Demonstrate outstanding citizenship through service and participation in community activities

To apply, submit the following items to the address below.

1. Application Form
2. Statement of Activities, Honors, Leadership - list school and community activities, including years in which you participated. Identify leadership positions or awards you received.
3. Copy of Transcript
4. College Admission Test Scores
5. Two Letters of Recommendation - these should be submitted by teachers and/or community leaders.
6. Essay - an essay, no more than 500 words, on the importance of local government in Ohio for the Academic Achievement Scholarship, and detailing a community project or event you participated in that made an impact on your life for the Local Government Achievement Scholarship.

All of the above items must be mailed in one envelope by **January 27, 2012**, to the address below.

**Muskingum University
Attn: Beth DaLonzo
163 Stormont St.
New Concord, Ohio 43701**

2012 Scholarship Application

HISTORY

The Ohio Township Association (OTA) began offering scholarships in 2005, after a generous donation from past board member Paul Smith, and his wife Ethel. The scholarships are continually funded by donations from county township associations, personal donations and a percentage of OTA merchandise sold.

Three scholarships, in the amount of \$1,500 each, are awarded annually. Scholarships are given in two categories: Local Government Achievement and Academic Achievement.

Applicants must be high school seniors, reside in one of Ohio's 1,308 townships and must plan to attend a two or four-year Ohio college or university. Requirements include a completed application, 500-word essay, high school transcript and two letters of recommendation.



COLLEGE
BOUND

Muskingum University administers the OTA scholarship program. Applications must be postmarked by **January 27, 2012**. Finalists will be notified by March 30 and winners will be announced May 1.

2012 Scholarship Application

APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Township: _____ County: _____

High School Attended: _____

High School Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ GPA: _____

ACT: _____ SAT: _____

College/University Attending: _____

College/University Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information provided is truthful and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I hereby apply for (choose one) the OTA Academic Achievement _____, or the OTA Local Government Achievement _____ Scholarship. I further certify that I am not receiving an Ohio Township Association 4-H Local Government Scholarship (students are not eligible for both awards).

Signature

Date