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The Ohio EMS Chiefs Association

Zealously Supporting Ohio's Public Third Service EMS Agencies and Chief Officers

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Chief Mike Schuiling
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PRESIDENT

From our President

It is hard to believe how this summer has gone by so quickly! I hope that all of you have had an enjoyable and productive summer!

This time last year we were meeting nearly every-other week while pursuing the establishment of this great organization! As I look back at our accomplishments and the ground we have gained, I am pleased at how quickly these have been realized. It is all due to the initiative and perseverance of the many individuals that have dedicated themselves to a cause bigger than themselves, their staff or their departments. The cause of quality emergency medicine and providing the highest, dedicated Emergency Medical Services to the State of Ohio. It is without question, that each person that is part of OEMSCA or has had a hand in our creation has the best interests of the patients we serve and to the Emergency Medical Services, as a whole.

It is known that we all face many challenges in our coming years! As we work toward the potential institution of Community Paramedicine / Community Health Paramedics / Mobile Integrated Health, as well as the changes brought by the Affordable Care Act, the 3rd Service EMS Providers must be at the front and leading edge of legislation and care that we provide. As we move forward, you and your department being a part of this association is vitally important to the success of the 3rd Service in this state!

Our mission is to advocate for the 3rd Service EMS Provider while positively impacting the care that is given to the sick and injured by dedicated professionals. OEMSCA wants to help promote grow and lead this type of EMS system throughout Ohio. Fostering collaboration with other associations, legislative bodies to demonstrate the integrity of our models.

The OEMSCA Executive Board Members are continuing to work diligently at making OEMSCA, including our membership, an association that is revered and respected in our medical communities, State legislation and in our local governments. I would encourage you to reach out to others that have not joined OEMSCA and ask them to partner with us!

Additionally, if you are experiencing issues that you feel OEMSCA may be able to help you with, please let us know. We are here to work for you!

See you in November!

Chief Michael Schuiling

President - OEMSCA

Agency Spotlight– Lawrence County EMS

Lawrence County EMS (LCEMS) is in its fourth year of operation. From 1973 until 2010 emergency medical service was provided to Lawrence County by Southeast Ohio EMS (SEOEMS). SEOEMS operated as an Emergency Medical District, consisting of Athens, Jackson, and Lawrence counties, from 1996 until December 31, 2010. On January 1, 2011 each of the participating counties began their individual county services.

Most of the Lawrence County SEOEMS personnel were employed by Lawrence County EMS with new employees added to bring the staff to the level needed to operate six ALS ambulances around the clock. Lawrence County EMS keeps an additional five ambulances in reserve as backups and to staff additional units to cover special events. LCEMS crews cover large events such as the county fair and the annual Rally on the River, a three day motorcycle rally, affectionately known as "Little



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OEMSCA
Annual Meeting
And
Conference

Business Meeting 7-9 pm Thursday, Nov. 13

9- 11 pm Hospitality

Conference 8 am—3 pm Friday, Nov 14

- Continental Breakfast, Lunch & Snacks
- 3.5 hours Continuing Education
- Trade Show

FREE to MEMBERS!!

Details coming soon...

Education Opportunities from our Members

Hocking County EMS
Trauma in the Hills

Saturday October 11, 2014

Logan Conference Center

www.hockingcountyems.org

OKTOBERFEST WITH OGEMS



Saturday, October 11

8 am—4 pm

St. John's Parish Center
109 Main St, Glandorf, OH 45848

3.5 Pediatric hours to include a presentation by
Shriner's Hospital for Children Burn Unit, Cincinnati
Plus

Childbirth Sports Injuries Gangs and Safety Service
(1 hr Medical) (1 hr Trauma) (1 hr Misc)

\$25 Pre- Registration by Sept. 24th

\$30 Registration after Sept 24th

Breakfast & Lunch provided

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FOR MORE INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

Lawrence County EMS

Sturgis", that draws more than 50,000 participants each August.

In early 2012 LCEMS received the blessing of the Lawrence County Commission to establish a Tactical EMS Program. In cooperation with the Lawrence County Sheriff's office and the Collins Career Center the 12 Tactical Medics began their basic TEMS training. This was followed by a nationally accredited course conducted by Marshall University and funded by Cabell Huntington Hospital. The team was outfitted with tactical equipment purchased with funds from a Homeland

Security grant. The LCEMS TEMS unit was featured in the July 2014 issue of JEMS magazine.

LCEMS currently employs 35 full-time and 47 part-time employees. The administrative office consists of an Executive Director, Fiscal Specialist, Administrative Assistant and a Training Coordinator/Operations Assistant. Dispatch is provided by Lawrence County 911, a separate county agency. LCEMS is a state approved EMS continuing education agency and provides continuing education to its employees as well as other emergency responders.

In 2013 Lawrence County EMS was named Paid Agency of

the Year by the Ohio Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians and the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of EMS.

Lawrence County EMS, with the support of the county commissioners and medical director continues to strive to remain at the forefront in providing the highest quality, most efficient emergency medical service to the residents of and visitors to Lawrence County.

*Established November 10, 2010	*First Day of Service January 1, 2011
*County Population 62,500	*Square Miles 459
*2013 Emergency Runs 10,500	*2014 Budget \$3.23 M