



Education Update

The Greatest Change
Brings Upon the Best Opportunities

Partnering for Education in Illinois Townships:

2010 Education Program jointly sponsored by the Township Officials of Illinois and

The Supervisors Division

The Clerks Division

The Trustees Division

The Assessors Division

The Highway Commissioners Division

The Tax Collectors Division

2010 Program Highlights

You can plan early! The education district dates are scheduled. Ask your township board for approval at the next available township meeting.

It is affordable. The registration fee is \$40 per registration and is a reimbursable legal township expense. This is much less than programs in the past and includes lunch. An entire township can register for (\$360.00) (9 individuals). Registration is available online or you can mail the registration form included in the *Perspective* magazine.

Car Pooling is an option. With the affordable registration fee, township boards and staff can car pool to a designated district event and further reduce required travel expenses.

Division Participation is included. In previous years, you were asked to participate in the activities sponsored by your respective divisions. These zone meetings, in addition to the regular education programs sponsored by TOI, totaled over 17 different educational opportunities.

The Supporting Divisions of TOI have agreed to combine programs with the district events and hold their component of what was considered a zone meeting in the past in conjunction with the Association's program. Each division is represented at all eight

education district events. This opportunity will aid in generating division identity and support throughout the state. It is important for all township officials to recognize the importance of active division participation.

The 2010 program is a joint program with the individual sponsoring divisions of TOI. Division meetings are scheduled at the following district events: Mt. Vernon, Fairview Heights, Bloomington, East Peoria, and Rockford.

Eight (8) opportunities. Although the districts are designed to eliminate the need for extensive travel by bringing educational programs out into the field, if you cannot make the scheduled date you are welcome to attend a neighboring district event. You have eight opportunities and we welcome you at all of them.

Concurrent Sessions make for options in education seminars. Although we are not pre registering for the sessions, you have three opportunities at two different time slots from which to choose. The intent with concurrent sessions is to provide options.

Helps generate innovation in your elected position. Networking with other township officials from neighboring townships helps create a sense of networking. Talk to new people, find out new programs and apply strategies learned to your own township.

SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

OPENING SESSIONS: We have secured a few opening session speakers throughout the 2010 calendar. This year our districts will offer the following:

EDUCATION DISTRICT 1 (Mt. Vernon / Thursday, May 13th)

Mr. Michael P. Bazzell

Opening Session Summary: *Mr. Bazzell motivates you in securing your internet identity. This program provides an in-depth analysis of how much you can find out about yourself and others on the internet.*

Speaker Background: Mike Bazzell is the Computer Crime Detective for the Alton Police Department, where he has been employed for 13 years. He currently handles all cases involving any type of Computer Crime and Computer Forensic Analysis, including several state and federal cases throughout the Metro-East St. Louis area.

Upon completion of a degree in criminal justice, he was selected as the Director of the Metro-East Regional Computer Crime Enforcement Group under the authority of the Illinois Attorney General. He currently instructs Computer Crime and Computer Forensics for both the Southern Illinois Law Enforcement Commission and Lewis & Clark College. He is also an active member of the elite Technical Operations Group of the Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis. In 2005, Mike was assigned full time to the FBI's Cyber Crime Task Force, where he continues to assist with federal cases being prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office. As an active member of these organizations, he has been involved in numerous high-tech crime investigations including online child solicitation, distribution and possession of child pornography, child abduction, cold-case homicide, and internet fraud.

EDUCATION DISTRICT 2 (Fairview Heights, Saturday, August 7)

EDUCATION DISTRICT 7 (East Peoria, Friday, April 16)

EDUCATION DISTRICT 8 (Rockford, Friday, July 9)

Mr. William B. Morris

Speaker Background: Bill Morris, recently retired after a 25-year career as a public finance investment banker serving Illinois clients, is the former Mayor of Waukegan and a one term Senator from Lake County. As a Senator, Mr. Morris drafted the Township Open Space law which allows townships to create open space districts with approval of a referendum. Four Illinois townships have successfully implemented such Districts.

Mr. Morris served on the Local Government Committee in the Illinois Senate and has had a long relationship with the Township Officials of Illinois. He is a graduate of Northern Illinois University with a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Webster University.

Besides his work in Public Finance, Mr. Morris was Chair of the Illinois Comptroller's Local Government Advisory Committee for nearly 12 years. He taught Public Administration and Local Government Finance courses at Loyola University, Lake Forest College and the College of Lake County. He has authored several articles and contributed chapters to books on local government and fiscal austerity.

For the last five months, Mr. Morris has served as a Director of the

Township Assessors Division



The Assessors Division started years ago on Education 2000, a program that requires certification before you can run for office

of Assessor. A good education foundation provides a jump start for any township office. I am a strong believer of cross training among township positions. Knowledge of your position as a township official, and how it correlates with other positions will help make stronger townships! The Assessors Association strongly supports education, and thanks the Education Program Committee on getting education to you; take advantage of it. Like a previous Annual Conference theme—Step Up to the Plate—sign up today!

Deb Lane

Assessors Division President

Tax Collectors



My fellow Tax Collectors, I encourage you to attend the new 2010 Education District Program entitled "Partnering for Education

In Illinois Townships". You can learn so much and meet interesting people and be able to go back to your township and encourage the other officers to attend.

Imelda Kelch

President of Tax Collectors

Supervisors Division



The TSI Program Committee has been working diligently this year to bring you the 2010 Education Program. It is designed to bring

together all divisions of TOI to better serve our memberships and the people we serve—township residents. We at the Township Supervisors of Illinois hope you will join us in the first year of this innovative education program to help make it a success! ... To my fellow Supervisors, you owe it to your constituents to be knowledgeable in what you do ... take the time to attend these valuable educational opportunities!

Steve Martin

TSI Board of Directors

Trustees Division



“We, in the Trustees’ Division, look forward to the 2010 combined TOI/Division education district meetings. We expect these

combined district meetings will bring quality, affordable educational programs to trustees across the state closer to their homes. This combined endeavor should also result in a more effective and efficient use of resources for both TOI and our Division.”

Ann Dynako Kubiczky

President

Illinois Toll Highway Authority Board, appointed by Governor Quinn to help reform that agency.

He and his wife live in Grayslake in an environmental community, Prairie Crossing. He has two married adult children and five grandchildren, all living in Lake County.

His talk will focus on the role of township government in the governmental structure of Illinois and the U.S. and the importance of the role of township officials in educating the public on democracy and serving as the first line of contact for governmental services. It is titled, “Township Government—The Link Between Voters and American Democracy”.

A request has been sent to former Gov. Jim Edgar to be the opening speaker at Education Districts 3 (Springfield) and 4 (Bloomington).

EDUCATION DISTRICT 5 (Quincy / February 19)

Mr. Richard L. Jaehne

Director, Illinois Fire Service Institute

Opening Session Summary: *Mr. Jaehne’s presentation focuses on leadership in the context of community emergency planning and response. This session focuses on issues of community leadership in preparing for, reducing the consequences of, and responding to and recovering from a community’s worst case scenario. What can and what should township officials be doing to prepare themselves and their communities for disasters and emergency response.*

Speaker Background: Richard Jaehne is the Director, Illinois Fire Service Institute, which is the statutory Illinois State Fire Academy. He is a member of the Illinois Governor’s Terrorism Task Force, Co-Chair of the Task Force’s Training Committee and a member of the congressionally mandated FEMA Region V Regional Advisory Council. The Institute delivers more than 600,000 student hours of training to some 59,000 firefighters and other first responders annually. Resources include a \$9 million annual budget, some 600 full and part-time faculty and staff, modern live fire and rescue training facility. He leads an interagency team that has developed and delivers unified command training program, which meets the new National Incident Management System (NIMS) standards to first responders, local and elected officials, and to the US Postal Service. He was a member of the Governor’s Blue Ribbon Fire Service Committee and the Governor’s Fire Advisory Commission. He is the past-Vice President of the North American Fire Training Directors. In 2002, he developed and led a series of 17 homeland security planning workshops statewide culminating in a two-day Homeland Security Summit, attended by community leaders from across Illinois and the Illinois Homeland Security Coordinator. IFSI has developed 17 HAZMAT, Technical Rescue and Incident Command courses representing more than 500 course hours that have been institutionalized by DHS. In 2006, he received the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) President’s Leadership Award for sustained support in fire and homeland security preparedness and programs.

In September 1997, he retired from the U.S. Marine Corps as a Colonel with over 30 years of service. While in the Marine Corps, he dealt with terrorism issues for some 20 years at the unit operational, theater operational and strategic, and national policy level. His military awards and decorations include: the Navy Cross, Purple Heart, the German Honor Cross in Silver (the highest peacetime military award presented by

the German government) and numerous other personal U.S. and foreign awards.

EDUCATION DISTRICT 6 (Oak Brook / Wednesday, June 16)

Paul Green,
Director of the Institute for Politics and Arthur Rubloff Professor of Policy Studies at Roosevelt University

Speaker Background: Paul Green is Director of the Institute for Politics and Arthur Rubloff Professor of Policy Studies at Roosevelt University. He is also the Political Analyst for **WGN Radio**, guest columnist for **Crain's Chicago Business**, and the author of several books and articles on Illinois and Chicago politics. His latest publications, co-authored with Mel Holli, are entitled **World War II Chicago and The Mayors: The Chicago Political Tradition**, 3rd edition. Paul is also a former elected official. He served as Monee Township Supervisor from 1977 to 1983.

Professor Green is frequently quoted and interviewed by the national news organizations for his views on the American political scene. His name appears frequently as an expert in news stories in the **New York Times**, **Washington Post**, **Time**, and **Newsweek**. He has also lectured at universities in Europe, Asia, and Africa and was one of a few American academics/ journalists to travel with the candidates for British Prime Minister in 1997.

Paul received his BA at the University of Illinois in History and Political Science and his MA and Ph.D. at the University of Chicago. He is married to Sharon Green, Director of Programs and Strategic Planning—Institute for Women's Health at Northwestern University. They have two adult children.

Scheduled Division Workshops: In an effort to accommodate what were once the division's zone / division meetings a session dedicated to each respective division. The schedule at each education district provides a time slot (10:45 AM – 12:00 PM) where the division will host a division meeting, division program or general session specific to their division membership. Watch individual district postings for further information.

Fees

The registration fee for the 2010 education district program is \$40 per registration. Remember that this registration fee is a legal township reimbursable expense.

Registration

You can register three ways for the education district program.

- 1) You can complete the on-line registration process at www.toi.org.
- 2) You can download the registration form at www.toi.org or locate it in the Perspective magazine, complete and return it with the required registration fee (by check) to TOI, Education Program, 3217 Northfield Dr., Springfield, Illinois 62702.
- 3) You can fax the form (with valid credit card information for payment) to the TOI office at 217.744.7419.

Highway Commissioners Division



The Township Highway Commissioners Division has always placed a strong emphasis on education. For over twenty-five years we have hosted a summer educational conference. We intend to continue this tradition but in addition we would like to add our support to this new combined initiative between TOI Education and the various Divisions. We believe this new approach will allow even more opportunity for us to become educated in our jobs.

Robert J. Miller, President Highway Commissioners of Illinois

Clerks Division



The Township Clerks Division supports the initiative to consolidate the education program provided to our clerks and fellow township officials. In the current economic times, this consolidated approach benefits many components of providing our township clerks with access to information that will help them perform their duties. It is our hope to further our identity as township clerks and work toward the common goal of effective township government ...

George Grosso, President, Township Clerks Division

Education Program Dates

Please note that you can attend any of the scheduled district events. Please try to attend the scheduled event in your district but townships are welcome to attend any of the scheduled program dates that best accommodate their schedule.

Educational District 1	Educational District 2	Educational District 3	Educational District 4
Clay	Bond	Christian	Champaign
Crawford	Clinton	Clark	Dewitt
Effingham	Fayette	Coles	Ford
Franklin	Greene	Cumberland	Iroquois
Gallatin	Jersey	Douglas	Livingston
Hamilton	Macoupin	Edgar	Logan
Jackson	Madison	Macon	McLean
Jasper	Montgomery	Moultrie	Vermilion
Jefferson	St. Clair	Piatt	Woodford
Lawrence	Washington	Sangamon	
Marion		Shelby	
Richland			
Saline			
Wayne			
White			
Educational District 5	Educational District 6	Educational District 7	Educational District 8
Adams	Boone	Bureau	Carroll
Brown	Cook	Henderson	Jo Daviess
Cass	DeKalb	Henry	Lee
Fulton	DuPage	Knox	Ogle
Hancock	Grundy	Marshall	Stephenson
Mason	Kane	Mercer	Whiteside
McDonough	Kankakee	Peoria	Winnebago
Pike	Kendall	Putnam	
Schuyler	Lake	Rock Island	
Tazewell	LaSalle	Stark	
	McHenry	Warren	
	Will		

ED 5	Friday, February 19	Quincy (<i>John Wood Community College</i>)
ED 3	Thursday, March 25	Springfield (<i>Northfield Inn and Conference Center</i>)
ED 7	Friday, April 16	East Peoria (<i>Embassy Suites</i>)
ED 1	Thursday, May 13	Mt. Vernon (<i>Holiday Inn Convention Center</i>)
ED 4	Friday, June 4	Bloomington (<i>Double Tree Hotel</i>)
ED 6	Wednesday, June 16	Oak Brook (<i>Double Tree Hotel</i>)
ED 8	Friday, July 9	Rockford (<i>Clock Tower Resort</i>)
ED 2	Saturday, August 7	Fairview Heights (<i>Four Points Sheraton</i>)

Please note that these are in order by date to accommodate the calendar year.