Chair: Chuck Smith

Chuck logged over 50,000 miles riding his bike from his home in Vandalia to work at Wright-Patterson AFB over 22 years. He organized Bike to Work Day and the Blue Streak Time Trial at work. As a member of the National Committee for Uniform Traffic Laws and Ordinances (NCUTLO), he was responsible for changes in the Uniform Vehicle Code (UVC) which have benefited bicyclists. Chuck is vice president of the Dayton Cycling Club, races with Team



Dayton, and officiates USA Cycling races. Chuck is also a League of American Bicyclists Certified Cycling Instructor and Spinning instructor. Chuck takes great pride in the many OBF accomplishments over the years and looks forward to more in the future.

Vice Chair: Woody Ensor

Woody has been a member of the Dayton Cycling Club almost since its beginning in the 1960s. In 1997, Woody received the Vibram Award for his work in trail advocacy. Woody's consistent work for more than 20 years resulted in the recent dedication of the Kauffman Road Bikeway which now stretches from Fairborn to the Wright Memorial at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. In 1999, Woody received the prestigious Paul Law Award for his lifetime



of dedication to bicycling. Woody has served as OBF Vice Chair since 1998.

Secretary: Tricia Kovacs

Tricia is a life-long Ohio cyclist who teaches bike education to adults and children in the Columbus area. Her previous work as OBF board member has been in motorist and law enforcement education, improving Ohio roads for cyclists and assisting in the legislative initiatives of OBF. Tricia strives to work with others to overcome fear of the roads by creating a better cycling environment through motorist bicycle awareness and through cyclist confi-



dence. Her vision for Ohio is a peaceful coexistence between motorists and cyclists, not through segregation, but through mutual respect.

Treasurer: Kevin Armstrong

Kevin Armstrong lives in Montgomery Ohio. He is the owner of small CPA firm. He is the past president and active member in the Cincinnati Cycle Club. He has also served on Cincinnati's Bike Friendly Community committee and represented the cycling community on the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments regional transportation planning committee. He participates annually in several rides for both vacation



and charity as well as leading local rides for the CCC. He is committed to working with and encouraging new riders, enabling their skills for riding on the road, knowledge of the laws, rights, and responsibilities of cycling.

SW Ohio Regional Director: Don Burrell

Don Burrell is a member of the Cincinnati Cycle Club, Queen City Bike, the League of American Bicyclists (League Cycling Instructor), Adventure Cycling Association, Rails to Trails Conservancy and the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals. He was a founding member of the OBF in 1978. He is an active cyclist riding for recreation, fitness, commuting and touring. In 1991 he toured solo across America



from Portland OR to Portland ME. He has participated in several GOBA, TOSRV and TRIRI tours. In 2013, he retired from a career in urban planning including 12 years as a regional bicycle and pedestrian planner for the Cincinnati region with the OH-KY-IN Regional Council of Governments. Don also serves as the OH/KY State Coordinator for the coast to coast American Discovery Trail.

Central Ohio Regional Director: Amelia Costanza

Amelia is a principal planner with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)—the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Columbus region. Her work at MORPC is focused on active transportation planning including, but not limited to, development of a regional Active Transportation Plan, fostering collaboration across multiple jurisdictions on bicycle, pedestrian, and transit facilities planning initiatives, and providing a regional



perspective on local planning processes. Amelia has earned her American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) designation, and recently became a Licensed Certified Instructor through the League of American Bicyclists. She enjoys riding her bike to work and for errands, and mountain biking is one of her hobbies.

West Central Regional Director: Dan Carrigan

Dan Carrigan is a Professional Librarian from the Dayton, Ohio area, active in his local village bicycle committee and all season bike-to-work commuter. He is a member of the Dayton Cycling Club and League of American Bicyclists (completed LAB "Road I" course, Aug 2006). In addition to commuting, Dan has also ridden three Tour of the Scioto River Valley (TOSRV), DCC club rides, and testified May 2006 before a state legislative com-



mittee in support of the Better Bicycling Bill, H.B. 389.

Eastern Regional Director: Frank Krygowski

Frank Krygowski of Poland, Ohio (a Youngstown suburb) became an avid cyclist in 1972 and a bike commuter in 1977. Until his retirement, he served as Coordinator of Youngstown State University's Mechanical Engineering Technology program, and was a registered Professional Engineer. Frank has been a cycling activist for decades, having served as a League Cycling Instructor and an officer of Youngstown's Out-Spokin' Wheelmen Bicycle Club—President, Vice Presi-



dent, Trustee, Ride Captain and (currently) Safety Chairman. He also chaired the club's annual century ride (NEOC) for seven years, winning a "Best Century" award from LAB. He's done much volunteer work for cycling at the city, regional and state levels, and was a founder of the website www.bicyclinglife.com. Frank still bikes for most utility trips, and has ridden or toured in a dozen countries, including a U.S. coast-to-coast trip with his wife and daughter.

NE Ohio Regional Director: Melissa Thompson

Melissa Thompson is a transportation engineer at NOACA, the Cleveland area MPO, where she provides technical assistance to member communities that are interested in improving bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. Melissa is a commuter and recreational cyclist, and actively participates in Cleveland bike advocacy by serving as co-chair of Bike Cleveland's Advocacy Committee.



SE Ohio Regional Director: Michael J. Paprocki

Transportation Study Director, Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Metropolitan Planning Commission (commonly referred to as BHJ), the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Weirton, WV—Steubenville, OH Urbanized Area. Employed at the BHJ Transportation Study since 1992, Michael first assumed the responsibilities of the transportation engineer and then later promoted to Transportation Study Director. Over this



time, he has developed several transportation management systems for traffic counting surveillance, safety management, and roadway inventory. He has also developed several land use forecast models for travel demand forecast modeling. Other tasks include air quality conformity, environmental justice assessment, Transportation Improvement Program and Long Range Transportation Plan administration, as well as mobility management for public transit and human service operations in the MPO area, and freight management. Most recently, Mr. Paprocki has assumed the role as chairperson of the Jefferson County Trails & Greenways Committee whose mission is "To develop trails and protect out greenways while enhancing the quality of life by providing healthy outdoor recreation and economic opportunities linking and strengthening our communities." Finally, through more than 17 years of experience, Michael has incorporated these elements, and many others, into a comprehensive Geographic Information System or GIS. Although born in Upper Darby, PA, Mr. Paprocki has been a long-time resident of the Steubenville, OH area since his first year and now calls Mingo Jct., OH his home. He possesses a B.S. in Electrical Engineering Technologies from Point Park College, Pittsburgh, PA, and an associate degree in Applied Science Electronics Technologies from the Jefferson Technical College in Steubenville, OH. He is a Certified Engineer in Training (EIT) registered in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

NW Ohio Regional Director: Christine Connell

Christine Connell is the Public Administration Specialist for the Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments. She is the first person to hold the position, created in 2011, to center on public policy development and cultivating strong, successful relationships with a variety of transportation stakeholders. Ms. Connell focuses on establishing partnerships to build multijurisdictional collaboration and produce consensus around regional livability



and economic competitiveness issues. She produces a biennial legislative agenda, develops and implements policy such as the regional complete streets policy, and is Director of the statewide Ohio Conference on Freight. In addition, Ms. Connell serves as staff liaison for TMACOG's Pedestrian and Bikeways committee. Christine is a recreational bicyclist who has also commuted to work by bicycle.

At-large Position 1: Keith Webb

Keith has enjoyed biking most of his life. An application engineer by day, Keith started his advocacy work in 2001 as a bicycle commuter in Atlanta, GA. He subsequently worked with the Atlanta Bicycle Coalition primarily on advocacy and safety education. After a move to Maryville, TN in 2003, Keith became active in local and statewide efforts by serving on the Knoxville Bicycle Advisory Committee, presiding over the Smoky Mountain Wheelmen in Knoxville



TN, and as Education Director for the Jeff Roth Cycling Foundation. Keith helped develop and present programming to police departments in Tennessee to educate LEO (Law Enforcement Officers) on bike safety and the 3-ft passing law. He has represented Georgia, Tennessee and now Ohio delegations at the National Bike Summit and received his LCI credentials in 2006. Shortly after moving to Toledo in 2009, Keith joined the Toledo Area Bicycle Club, the Pedestrian and Bikeways committee with TMACOG, and provided testimony to the Toledo City Council as they considered, and ultimately approved, a safe passing ordinance modeled from the statewide legislation currently under consideration by the OH legislature. Keith enjoys sharing his passion for cycling with others of all ages and is an excellent teacher.

At-Large-2: Steve Magas

Steve Magas is an avid cyclist and an Ohio trial lawyer whose law practice focuses on two-wheeled cases. In the past 30+ years Steve has handled over 300 "bike" cases, representing cyclists who are injured or killed due to errant motorists, loose dogs or defective products. Steve likes to say that this is his 9-5 job, and that his "5-9 job" is bicycle advocacy. Steve has provided over 25 years of pro bono legal advice to the Cincinnati Cycle Club, has written



numerous articles on Bicycle Law for local, state and national publications and has been an OBF Board Member for many years. Steve's Board experience tends to focus on safety, crash statistics and legal issues. He has an ongoing project in which he obtains and reviews in detail the complete crash report for EVERY fatal bike crash in Ohio, searching for lessons, problems and trends. Steve has handled many high profile bike cases including winning an important victory in Trotwood v. Selz, representing Tony Patrick, who was arrested for "riding a bicycle on the roadway," and, most recently, working with Cherokee Schill, a single mom who has been repeatedly ticketed by Kentucky police for riding on the roadway instead of the shoulder during her 18 mile daily commute. Steve rides either a steel Independent Fabrication Club Racer or an old titanium Litespeed when he and his wife enjoy the local roads and trails.

At-Large-3: Bracy Elton

Bracy Elton, Ph.D., Senior Computational Scientist, Signal & Image Processing, Engility Corp., was an avid cyclist in California and Washington State until he could no longer ride a bicycle due to a medical condition. After relocating to Ohio, he learned he could ride a recumbent trike, and in 2007 he returned to cycling. He now regularly commutes about 30 miles roundtrip on a Catrike 700. In 2009 he facilitated getting the definition of "bicycle" in the Ohio Revised Code updated to include tadpole trikes. The same strategy was



applied to further update the definition to include quadricycles and beyond. Dr. Elton advocates safe cycling, including following existing traffic laws. He develops and promotes strategies for furthering safe cycling advocacy endeavors and for improving transportation infrastructure.

At-Large-4: Laura Losey-Faulkner

Laura A. Faulkner is a former owner and manager of a successful professional education business that prepared candidates for the Certified Public Accounting Exam (CPA) and the Ohio Bar Exam. In a ten year period she built the business from a small operation with only a few small class locations to the most popular and successful program available in the state.



It wasn't until after battling back from a major injury that she first climbed on a bicycle in 2010. Since

that day she has averaged over 3,000 miles of cycling a year. Over the last four years she has actively focused on bicycle and pedestrian advocacy work, is an active member of The League of American Bicyclists and is working to become a Licensed Cycling Instructor. Laura works closely with Jacob VanSickle of Bike Cleveland to help with marketing and building a stronger foundation for the Cleveland based advocacy organization. She has joined or has made contacts with almost every biking club in NE Ohio and utilizing social media has effectively aided in building awareness and involvement of the issues within the biking community. In 2014 she became the Captain of Team Mind Brain Social Club, a small team of six riders to compete in the National Bike Challenge and the Rust Belt Battle of the Bikes. Over the five month competion Team MBSC grew to 99 riders and won first place nationally and was instrumental in beating Pittsburgh and bringing the Rust Cup back to Cleveland.

At-Large-5: Andy Davis

Andy Davis is a professional engineer with the City of Akron's Traffic Engineering Division. He is a graduate from the University of Akron in civil engineering, with an M.S. in education. His current work includes bicycle planning for the city, traffic signal engineering, he teaches cycling



at the university. He is a League Cycling Instructor (LCI #2567), and is currently spearheading an ODOT funded "How We Roll" cycling safety program at the University of Akron. He is a co-founder and board member of the Summit Cycling Center, a non-profit cycling co-op and education center. He worked to help Summit Cycling Center obtain a grant from the LeBron James Family Foundation to establish the "Bike Kitchen" community bicycle program.

At-Large-6: Phyllis Jividen

Phyllis is a Transportation Planner with the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS), the regional transportation planning agency for Summit and Portage counties and Chippewa Township in Wayne County. She is responsible for the agencies bicycle program which has developed a number of new initiatives in the last few years. Phyllis helped develop a Bike



User Map and contributed design ideas and format for AMATS new bicycling website "Switching Gears" that went online in March 2012. She began a bike and pedestrian count program for AMATS in 2012 utilizing the National Bicycle and Pedestrian Documentation Project (NBPD) standard. She also created a "Bike-N-Brainstorm" initiative, participated and supported activities in the National Bike Week and Akron Bike Week, and is currently working with ODOT, the University of Akron, Yay Bikes! and the City of Akron in creating a cyclist safety campaign based at the University of Akron called "How We Roll." The program is geared towards teaching students the rules of the road and changes in their cycling behaviors.

Phyllis has enjoyed biking most of her life. She has been riding primarily for recreation and fitness and more recently has begun bicycling on-road. Phyllis is active with many local organizations, parks, and agencies in promoting bicycling in the region as a viable transportation option and recreationally by providing safe, accessible and efficient bike routes and facilities.

At-Large-9: Dave Cardarella

Dave has been an active member of the Stark County Bicycle Club for more than 20 years. Having served as president, trustee, statistician, web page manager and is currently a trustee and the newsletter editor. Dave retired a few years ago after a career of chemical plant automation and as an IT consultant. Retirement is spend traveling and riding his tandem as much as he can. After many GOBAs,



RAGBRAIs and CNCs retirement has permitted selfcontained tours, including the Mississippi River, the entire perimeter of Florida, and southern Germany.

At-Large-7: Jim Sheehan

Jim Sheehan is Executive Director and a founding member of the Ohio City Bicycle Co-op, a non-profit bicycle education facility in Cleveland Ohio. He was a director of the League of American Bicyclists from 2006-2009, has been a League Cycling Instructor since 2003, and is a founding member of Bike Cleveland (and previous local advocacy groups, since 1992). He has been a bike mechanic, messenger, tourist, racer and (as often as



possible) a bike commuter. He lives with his wife in Shaker Heights, where he enjoys mountain biking on nearby deer trails in the company -- and at the pace of -- their 10 year old beagle, Fressie.

At-Large-8 (Membership Director): Richard Schulte

Richard lives in Piqua, Ohio with his wife Dr. Valerie Schulte, his two sons Tripp and Torin, and his entire family are avid cyclists. Valerie and Richard have participated in 6 straight Ragbrai's as well as many Ohio cycling events. He is also a member of the Piqua, Ohio bicycling club, "Steel Grapes." Richard is a trial attorney and partner in the firm of Wright & Schulte LLC with a national practice focused on representing those injured by the negligence of others. Currently, Richard represents Ohio on



the board of governors of the American Association for Justice and is a past president of the Ohio Association for justice. Those positions have given him considerable experience in the legislative arena and with issues concerning public safety. Richard is interested in using both his litigation and legislative experience to promote bicycling in Ohio.

At-large-10 (Mountain Biking): Karen Wells-Hamilton

Karen S. Wells-Hamilton is a retired Air Force Civil Servant who serves as secretary-treasurer for the local mountain bike club, Miami Valley Mountain Bike Association (MVMBA), and secretary for the Friends of John Bryan State Park. She has spent the past five years working with MVMBA to build and maintain 8.5 miles of mountain bike trail at John Bryan where she has acted as race director for the popular Fast Laps off-



road time trial series, a fund raiser for the park.

In 2000, Karen won the beginner women's division of the HFP KOORS mountain bike racing series; in 2003 she won her age group in the HRP Duathlon series, and this year she and her husband, Doug, won the 6 hour mountain bike race sponsored by Psycho Cycles. She has also helped with and raced the Blue Streak time trial series at Wright-Patterson AFB. Most recently, she worked with the MVMBA to cosponsor the IMBA Trail Crew at Huffman MetroPark—the first mountain bike trail in a MetroPark in the Dayton area. Currently she is working with the Friends of John Bryan and the Ohio River Road Runners Club (ORRRC) to build a gazebo at John Bryan State Park. She is a member of the ORRRC as well as the Dayton Cycling Club.