

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 founded Bike to Work Day at Wright-Patterson and still organizes seven Blue Streak Time Trials each year along the Wright-Patterson flight line. 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 the Advocacy Director for 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 & Membership Director: Ken Mercurio**

Ken has been a long-distance cyclist since 1979, but especially over the past 10 years since he retired as head of nutrition and regulatory affairs for Nestle USA. Last year he logged his most miles ever, over 10,000. He seems to be getting stronger as he gets older, as he rode his fastest century, a sub-5-hour effort, in 2016. In 07 he rode across the country in 32 days. In 2012, he rode from Montana to Alaska and back with four others on a self tour. He is a member of both the Dayton Cycling Club and the Cincinnati Cycle Club. Ken authored Head Over Wheels, his book about his broken-neck bike accident in 07 and his "inspirational comeback" to cycle the Blue Ridge Parkway nine months later. Following the book's publication in 2014, he authored a blog about cycling safety and has taken a keen interest in promoting safe bicycling.

**Treasurer: Zara Rhone**

Zara operates her own Certified Public Account in Vandalia. She actively trains daily as a runner and is also a cyclist.

**Communication Director: Kimberly Perfect**

Kimber Perfect, Deputy Chief of Staff for Communications, Office of Mayor Andrew J. Ginther, City of Columbus. Kimber Perfect is an enthusiastic marketer and communicator who brings to the Ginther Administration more than 30 years experience in strategic communications and marketing, brand development, public relations, public affairs, crisis communications and community engagement. Prior to joining Mayor Ginther's Administration,



Ms. Perfect served as Vice President for Marketing and Communications at Columbus College of Art & Design; senior vice president at Paul Werth Associates; and chief marketing officer at the Ohio Department of Development where she also guided the activities of the Ohio Tourism Division and the Ohio Film Office.

Kimber is proud to have served two past Ohio Governors: Governor Richard Celeste and Governor Ted Strickland. She currently serves on the board of trustees and executive committee for the Greater Columbus Arts Council; and serves on the Stonewall Columbus Capital Campaign Steering Committee; Columbus Metropolitan Club Program Committee; and Columbus Brand Marketing Committee.

In 2014, Ms. Perfect was the recipient of the YWCA Women of Achievement Award and in 2015 was honored with the Allies Award from Equality Ohio.

Ms. Perfect holds a bachelor's degree in Journalism from The Ohio State University.

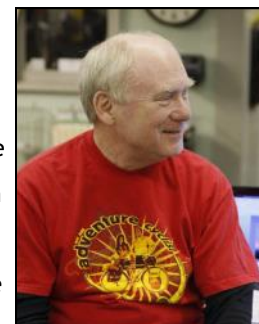
Kimber is an avid bicyclist and also enjoys hiking, skiing and spending quality time with her five grandchildren. Her mission is to live life to its fullest--life is so dear.

Secretary: Tricia Kovacs

Tricia Kovacs has been an avid cyclist since her older brother, Steven, brought her along on her first century ride at age 12, from her hometown of Lakewood, Ohio to Sandusky and back. She has been a tourist and commuter ever since; currently living in Gahanna, a suburb of Columbus. She is currently working for the Gahanna Parks & Recreation department on implementation of bikeway projects and their Safe Routes to Schools programs. She is a member of the Gahanna Bicycle Advisory Committee, the Columbus Transportation & Pedestrian Commission bicycle subcommittee and a LAB Cycling instructor, teaching adults and children in the Columbus area. As secretary of the YayBikes! organization, she has worked on projects such as the LAB Bicycle Friendly Community status for Columbus, and the Bike to Work Challenge. Tricia's goal is to continue to educate cyclists to ride safely on the roads and to educate motorists to share the road by improving the Ohio drivers' education programs.

**MPO Liaison: 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.

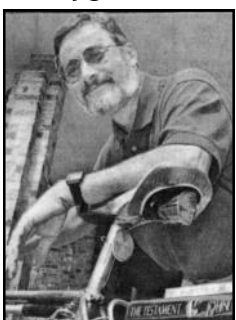


Newsletter Editor: Dave Cardarella

Dave has been an active member of the Stark County Bicycle Club for more than 30 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 self-contained tours, including the Mississippi River, the entire perimeter of Florida, US Southern Tier, Route 66, Italy, France, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Netherlands and New Zealand.

**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 President, 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.

**NW Ohio Regional Director: Keith Webb**

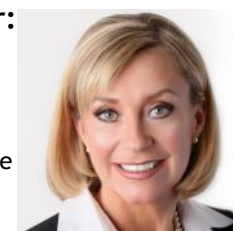
Keith has enjoyed biking most of his life. An application engineer by day, Keith started his advocacy work in 2001 as a bicycle commuter in Atlanta, GA. He subsequently worked with the Atlanta Bicycle Coalition primarily on advocacy and safety education. After a move to Maryville, TN in 2003, Keith became 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 state-wide 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.

**OTSE 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.

**Central Ohio Regional Director: Maryellen O'Shaughnessy**

Maryellen O'Shaughnessy is Clerk of Franklin County Common Pleas Court and 10th District Court of Appeals in November 2008. Prior to serving as Clerk, O'Shaughnessy was elected three times to Columbus City Council. O'Shaughnessy is a fifth-generation Central Ohioan, and comes from a family dedicated to public service. She is also a fourth-generation funeral director and owner of O'Shaughnessy Company Funeral Directors, established in 1889. She is an enthusiastic bicyclist! She pedaled along the Olentangy River Bikeway with OBF members as the last leg of Rep. Teresa Fedor's bike ride from Toledo to the Statehouse.



At-large Position 1: (Legislative/ODOT Liason) Jack Shaner

Ohio Environmental Council Deputy Director Jack Shaner briefs OBF Ohio Bicycling Summit attendees each year on how to make your points when visiting your elected representatives and senators. Jack always does an excellent job, drawing upon his many years of experience in the Statehouse. An enthusiastic bicyclist, Jack has served on the OBF board in the past.



At Large 3: (Bicycle Law) Ken Knabe

With a background in law as a trial lawyer combined with years of cycling experience, guiding fellow cyclists is a calling to Ken Knabe. Educating cyclists and drivers regarding their contributions to calmer, safer roads is the foundation of his injury representation, sponsorships, publishing, and lecturing, as well as his work on several committees with the City of Cleveland regarding upcoming Vision Zero safety legislation. As an avid cyclist the issue of safety affects his everyday life, and he takes it personally when a fellow cyclist is hit by an unsafe driver. Knabe Law Firm Co., LPA: 14222 Madison Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio 44107. Phone: 216-228-7200.



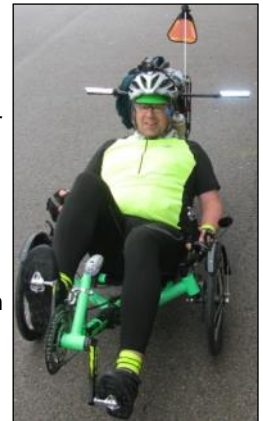
At-Large-2: (Bicycle Law) Steve Magas

Steven Magas, Ohio's Bike Lawyer, has been an Ohio trial lawyer for more than 38 years. He has handled more than 450 "bike" cases and his solo practice now focuses almost exclusively on representing injured cyclists and the families of those killed throughout Ohio. Steve's history as a bike advocate dates back to the 1980s when he started writing articles for local, regional and national publications and started working on bicycle advocacy issues with groups all over Ohio. Steve is a long-time member of the LAB's Legal Affairs committee where he helped draft Model legislation and has attended several National Bike Summits. With OBF Steve has helped draft legislation, such as the huge 2006 Better Bicycling Bill and the Three Foot Law, while also providing testimony in Columbus. Steve is a popular speaker at Bike events and has developed a seminar for educating lawyers and judges called "BIKE LAW 101" which he has given several times around the state. Steve also recently spoke to a national audience during a 3 hour seminar on Bicycles & E-Scooters. Steve is the co-author of several books, including "Bicycling and the Law" and is working on his latest book, "The Bike Lawyer's Big Book of Bike Law." Steve [who has a math degree] has also been active in tracking statistics for bicycling and safety. His 10 year old Fatal Crash Project tracks EVERY fatal bike crash in Ohio. In 2021, Steve became the co-founder of The Bicycle Crash Research Center, Inc, a new non-profit that will take over the Fatal Crash Project and conduct additional research on safety issues for cyclists. Steve's website, www.OhioBikeLawyer.com, provides a detailed summary of Ohio's "bike laws" along with Steve's commentary and blog posts about hot topics in the bike world. Steve can always be reached at 513-484-BIKE/2453 or at BikeLawyer@me.com to Talk BIKE. When he's not on one of his bikes Steve may be found honking out jazz or funk trumpet riffs with his band, The Cold Cuts, at various stages in the Cincinnati area.



At-Large-4: (Commuting and Trikes) 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-5: (Cleveland) 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.

