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MSEA Representative to NCOEA's Executive Committee

The MSEA (Mansfield School Employees Association) should have three representatives on the NCOEA Executive Committee. This article will give some insight on Holly Patterson who is one of those representatives.

Holly was born in Ashland, but grew up near Hayesville and graduated from Hillsdale High School in Ashland County. Upon graduation, Holly was awarded the Hillsdale Education Association Teacher Scholarship.

Even from the beginning she was interested in teaching. She would come home from kindergarten and first grade, and proceed to teach her brothers and cousins what she had learned each day.

Holly earned her teaching certificate at Cedarville College near Xenia, Ohio.

Since 1998, Holly taught at Stadium Elementary School and upon its closing moved to John Simpson Middle School where she became involved with the LPDC Committee and the Science Fair. Presently, Holly is teaching eighth grade science at Malabar School and is the mid-level (grades 4-8) LPDC chair for the district.

When not at school, Holly can be found playing piccolo, singing in the choir, and working with the youth group at Mansfield Baptist Temple. At home, Holly enjoys reading, sewing, working puzzles and playing in her flower gardens.

If you are interested in being one of the other two needed representatives from MSEA, let your president, Tina Adams, know, so that those positions can be filled for next year.

Mary Jane Schlairet, Knox County Representative

Mary Jane Schlairet is one of two Knox County Representatives on the NCOEA Executive Committee. She has held this position for four years. She also served as Recording Secretary of the NCOEA for several years, as well as serving in all officer positions except treasurer in her local association in Fredericktown. Mary Jane has been the NCOEA and OEA delegate for many years for her local. She has also been a cluster delegate to the NEA RA several times.

Mary Jane has taught for 35 years, with the last 28 of those being in Fredericktown as an Intervention Specialist. She lives in Mt. Vernon with her husband Jack and their two daughters, Jennifer and Shannon.

She is looking forward to retirement this spring, but has been prevailed upon to become the Retired Representative on the NCOEA Executive Committee starting this fall.

We appreciate all her years of service and look forward to many more!!!

We also need representatives from Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Morrow, and Richland Counties. If you are interested, notify Chris Swank at the address above left.