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Correctional Education Association - Wisconsin

Wisconsin to Host 2018 CEA Leadership Forum

The CEA-Wisconsin Executive Board is excited to announce that Wisconsin has been selected to host the national CEA Leadership Forum. The CEA Leadership Forum will be held on March 18-20, 2018 at the Madison Concourse Hotel and Governor's Club.

The annual leadership conference draws over two hundred correctional educators from throughout the nation to work on professional development and advocacy. The Leadership Forum offers information on the current climate of corrections, rehabilitation, education and reentry with workshops, training, motivational speeches, discussion groups, discussion panels, networking, and technology.

The forum planning committee has already begun to organize events to provide quality professional development opportunities for Leadership Forum participants.

Because Wisconsin will be hosting the CEA Leadership Forum, the annual CEA-Wisconsin Training Day will not be held in 2018.

When making your professional development plans for 2018, be sure to include the CEA Leadership Forum. Information on the Forum program will be published later this year in this newsletter and will be available on the www.ceawisconsin website.



**All roads lead to Madison for the
2018 CEA Leadership Forum
Madison, WI
March 19-20, 2018**

2017 Friends of Correctional Education Award

Do you know someone who has been noteworthy in their support of correctional education?

This person may be a volunteer who contributes time and effort to an education program, a community agency employee who has presented special workshops, a business person who has donated funds or materials to make programs more effective, or an advocate of correctional education in some way. If such person has contributed to your facility's education program, submit his/her name for the "Friends of Correctional Education Award."

Nominees cannot be employed by the Department of Corrections, Department of Health and Family Services, or a county jail.

To nominate a Friend of Correctional Education, send his/her name, a description of the contribution to correctional education (250 words or less), the institution(s) where the Friend of Correctional Education made his/her contribution and the nominator's name to:



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It is our hope that this newsletter will be used to communicate information concerning activities, special events, new directions and policies of CEA-Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Department of Corrections.

Articles for publication may be submitted to the CEA-W News Review Editor Jerry Bednarowski at: jerrybednarowski@new.rr.com

CEA-Wisconsin 2017 Scholarship Program

Again this year CEA-Wisconsin will award a \$1,000 scholarship to a CEA-Wisconsin member or a member's spouse or dependent.

Purpose: The CEA-Wisconsin Scholarship Award Program is designed to assist CEA-W members or their spouses/dependents that are pursuing a degree at an accredited university or technical college.

Scholarships Details: CEA-Wisconsin awards a scholarship of \$1,000. The scholarship will be awarded to a CEA-W member who is furthering his/her education in the education or library services field or a CEA-W member's spouse or dependent who is pursuing a university or technical college degree in any field. The recipient must provide verification of enrollment in an accredited university or technical college.

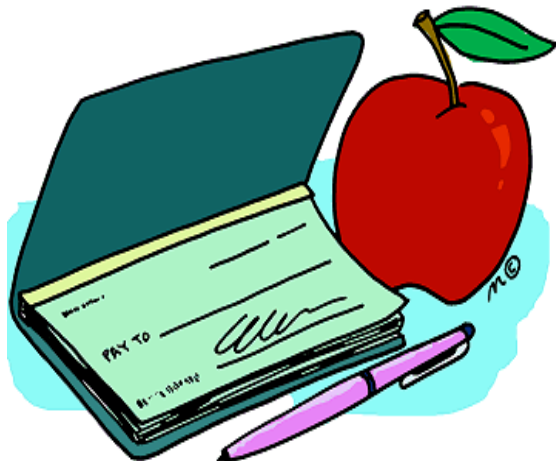
Eligibility:

- Applicant must be a current CEA-W member, member's spouse, or member's dependent.
- Applicant must be pursuing (full or part-time) a graduate, undergraduate, or technical degree at an accredited university or technical college.
- Applicant must be entering his/her freshman, sophomore, junior, senior year, or graduate school. First year students must have been officially accepted by the college/university they plan to attend.
- Past winners are not eligible.

Application: Applicants must complete the application form that can be found on the www.ceawisconsin.org website, provide all required attachments, and submit the entire package to the address below no later than July 1, 2017. Incomplete or late application packages will not be accepted for consideration.

Selection: The scholarship recipients will be selected by the CEA-Wisconsin Board. Criteria for selection will include academic record and financial need, as well as school, community, or association activities. Recipients will be notified in writing.

For more information contact:



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Correctional Education 80 Years Ago

The Committee on Education of the American Prison Association was the predecessor to the Correctional Education Association. In October 1937, the Committee published the first issue of "Correctional Education," a newsletter that gave an overview of education programs as they existed 80 years ago in federal institutions, 27 state correctional systems and the District of Columbia.

The following is the description of the education programs in the two Wisconsin institutions which existed at the time.

Thanks to the unofficial CEA historian, Jerry McGlone of CEA-Ohio, for making this document available.

Wisconsin State Reformatory, Green Bay

An attempt is made to reach every inmate through a comprehensive program of education which operates through a full time day as well as an evening schedule of classes, and includes also informal types of instruction such as conferences and correspondence courses. A liberal use is made of University of Wisconsin extension correspondence courses for the more capable and better educated inmates. The average inmate, however, has limited education, only about ten percent having completed high school, fifty percent having reached the seventh grade, and very few showing any vocational experience or training when received.

Vocational training is given in 32 training shops. Of 487 inmates, about 65 per cent are in attendance in school classes or are enrolled in university extension correspondence study courses. In addition to these formal courses about 350 cell-study and reading courses are being carried on in the institution. Approximately 120 boys on parole are continuing work started while they were in the reformatory. This institution, like the State Prison, receives an unusually high degree of co-operation from the State University and the State Library Commission. The program is headed by a full-time Director of Education.

Wisconsin State Prison, Waupun

Prior to the fall of 1932 the educational program in this institution was centered about the extension courses offered by the University of Wisconsin and supervised by Mr. Chester Allen, Director of Field Organization of the University Extension Division. These courses grew in popularity, until a record of 450 courses was attained during one year. In 1932 a large shop building became vacant when an industry was abolished because of the passage of the Hawes-Cooper Act, and the building was converted into quarters for a full-time school under the supervision of a trained Director of Education. This school supplements the original program and does not replace it.

The full-time school provides instruction comparable to that found in the public elementary schools of the state in the first eight grades. In some branches there is provision for instruction on higher levels. Except for a few men in the lower grades, attendance is voluntary. The teachers are inmates, but they are carefully selected and are given a training course by the Director of Education.

The full-time school is in session five days a week from eight a.m. to twelve noon and from one to four-thirty-five p.m. throughout the entire year. The average daily attendance is between 250 and 300 men from a resident population of about 1,300 men. Those who enroll are expected to remain in the school for six months or more. Whenever possible, a student is given an opportunity to put into practical use what he has learned in the school. For example, members of the shop mathematics class are apprenticed to the machine shop half of the school day until they have advanced far enough, when they are employed in the machine shop the full day.

A second important branch of the educational program is the cell-study work. This consists of correspondence courses corrected in the institution. Approximately twenty-five different courses are available and about 200 men are enrolled on a voluntary basis.

A third educational activity is the reading course work, in which about 800 men are enrolled. The reading is in more than a hundred different fields, and the books and reading courses are obtained from the Wisconsin Free Travelling Library Commission, the libraries of the University of Wisconsin, and the local libraries. Those who enroll in the reading courses are required to prepare written reports on the material issued to them.

A fourth branch of the educational program is the work done through the Extension Division of the University of Wisconsin. The number enrolled has decreased somewhat since the establishment of the full-time school, but more than 70 men are taking university courses.

The educational work in this institution has had particular significance for years because of the unusual amount of assistance which it receives from the State University and the State Library Commission. Prisoners in the Wisconsin institutions are given the same services and privileges by these two state agencies as are extended to free citizens. Warden Oscar Lee, a former president of the American Prison Association, was engaged in educational work before becoming warden.

CEA Awards Recognize Outstanding Contributors to Correctional Education

In addition to the CEA-Wisconsin Friends of Correctional Education and Scholarship awards that are announced in this newsletter. The CEA sponsors several national and regional awards annually to worthy recipients

The CEA Awards represent recognition to those individuals who have served correctional education. Nominees may be individuals who have contributed their lifetime career to correctional education, those who have demonstrated best practices for teaching correctional students, or individuals who have enlisted the use of technology in correctional education. Additionally, CEA strives to annually recognize classroom teachers who have demonstrated excellence in their teaching.

Go to www.ceanational.org for complete information and nomination forms and nominate an outstanding individual who has contributed to correctional education for one of the Correctional Education Association awards.

Lifetime Achievement Award

The Lifetime Achievement Award is to be presented annually to someone who has made a major contribution to the field of correctional education during their professional work life. The award will honor an individual's longevity within the profession because he/she provided leadership, vision and momentum toward excellence. The Lifetime Achievement Award may be awarded to a teacher, counselor, supervisor, manager, administrator, aide, employee of CEA, or any other position which involved education as its primary duty. This award, however, is not for someone who has only given a few years of service, gained sudden notoriety, or given political support in the short term; it is meant to reflect a lifetime of service to the correctional education field. The honor can be awarded posthumously or to someone still living. In any given year if there are no nominations, or if a nomination does not meet the eligibility criteria, the award will not be presented. The deadline for application is April 1 of each year.

In July 2009, Jerry Bednarowski received CEA's Lifetime Achievement Award at the International CEA Conference in Madison, Wisconsin.

Austin MacCormick Award

The Austin MacCormick Award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated best practices. The winner must be a CEA member. The practices/program should be able to be replicated and implemented

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by correctional educators in order to develop or modify their own program. The deadline to apply for this award is April 1 of each year.

Ralph Kaplan Award

The Ralph Kaplan Award is an award that is given to a presenter who will demonstrate the use of technology or promote technology through his/her conference presentation. The presentation to be considered is to be given at a conference. The winner of the award will receive a \$200.00 honorarium. The deadline to apply is April 1 of each year.

In October 1987, Jeff Greene and Tim Fuller, teachers at Ethan Allen School, won Ralph Kaplan Award at the International CEA Conference in San Francisco, California.

In July 2015, Sue Kastensen, founder and director of Fair Shake, won Ralph Kaplan Award at the International CEA Conference in Arlington, Virginia.

Correctional Education Advocate Award

The Correctional Education Advocate Award is an award for a candidate who skillfully promotes the purpose of correctional education, actively campaigns to initiate and continue educational programming in correctional settings; enthusiastically supports correctional educators and their students; proficiently defends the significance of correctional education and publicly places a value on educating inmates. The deadline for the application is April 1 of each year.

Lisa Arneson from Consumer Credit Counseling Services in Sheboygan received CEA's Advocate Award in July 2011 at the International CEA Conference in Charleston, West Virginia.

Teacher of the Year

The CEA recognizes teaching excellence by celebrating Teacher of the Year winners from each of the CEA Regions. Each Region is encouraged to select a Teacher of the Year to be recognized at the upcoming national conference.

These are the Wisconsin Teachers of the Year who went on to be selected Region III Teacher of the Year and represent Region III at the International CEA Conference:

- Phil Leader, Wisconsin Resource Center - 1992 - Vancouver, British Columbia
- Anita Wilcox, Blackhawk Technical College / Rock County Jail - 1998 - Salt Lake City, Utah
- Mel Free, Kettle Moraine Correctional Institution - 2004 - Baltimore, Maryland
- Mary (Stierna) Davies, Wisconsin Resource Center - 2005 - Des Moines, Iowa
- Sharon Abel, Lakeshore Technical College / Sheboygan County Detention Center - 2006
- Anaheim, California
- Ken VanMieghem, Wisconsin Resource Center - 2007 - Atlanta, Georgia
- DeNeal (Erickson) Perez, Robert E. Ellsworth Correctional Center - 2009 - Madison,
Wisconsin
- Laurie Crescio, Waupun Correctional Institution - 2012 - St. Paul, Minnesota

Mark Your Calendar

72nd Annual CEA Conference and Training Event

San Antonio, Texas

July 30 - August 2, 2017

A Hidden Benefit for CEA Members

Access to the Trust for Insuring Educators (TIE) insurance program is one of the hidden gems for CEA members. For more than 40 years, TIE has offered affordable insurance plans created with educators in mind. The Trust consists of more than 60 professional educational associations with more than 1 million members.

Some the TIE plans feature rates or discounts not available elsewhere; others have unique features or benefit structure. All come with exceptional consumer service provided by the program administrator, Forrest T. Jones & Company. CEA sponsors these insurance plans as a service to member, but does not incur expenses or income from their sale.

Below are descriptions of some of the TIE insurance plans. Additional plans are available online at www.ftj.com/cea or go to www.ceanational.org and click on "Services" and then "Membership Benefits."

Group Life Insurance

- **Group Term Life** - TIEs most popular plan features unisex rates applied in 5-year bands. Members and spouses under age 65 can request up to \$1 million in coverage. Once approved, coverage continues to age 80 as long as premiums are paid.
- **10-Year Level Term Life** - This plan locks in rates guaranteed not to change for the first 10 years of coverage. This term life plan features five rate triers, which rewards the healthiest applicants with lower premiums.
- **Accidental Death & Dismemberment** - This affordable plan pays up to \$300,000 for death from any covered accident and lesser amounts for the loss of limbs or eyes. All benefits double if the accident occurs on a common carrier or is work-related. Family coverage is available.

Auto & Home

- **GEICO Auto Insurance** - Members may qualify for a special association discount in most states. GEICO features 24-hour claims handling and a handy mobile app that puts policy services at your fingertips. For a quote in 15 minutes or less, visit at www.geico.com/TIE or call (800)368-2734.
- **Property Insurance** - GEICO can help homeowners, renters and condo/co-op owners find affordable coverage for their real estate and personal property through GEICO Insurance Agency, Inc. Start a rate quote online at www.geico.com/TIE.
- **LegalShield & IDShield** - Protect yourself and your family from life's common legal issues and rising crime of identity theft with LegalShield and its companion product, IDShield. Members receive a rate reduction of up to 20% and can save even more when purchasing both products.

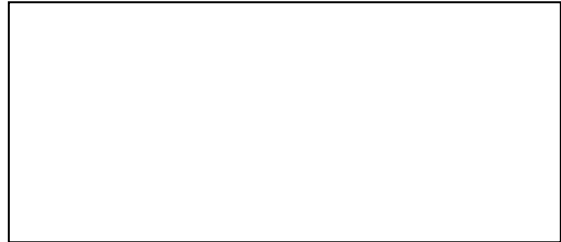
Health Insurance

- **Educators Dental Plan** - Take care of your family's teeth with a MetLife dental plan that pays for preventive/diagnostic care and basic restorative care with no waiting period. Choose from a nationwide roster of participating dentists.
- **Long Term Care Insurance** - The Long Term Care Insurance Evaluation Service provides personalized, no-obligation price and benefit comparison of plans from several top-rated insurers, covering home health care, assisted living and nursing home expenses.
- **Group Disability Income Protection** - If you can't work due to a covered disability, receive up to two-thirds of your salary to age 65. Choose a monthly benefit amount of \$200 to \$5,000. A short-term disability coverage option also is available.

Career Protection

- **Professional Liability Insurance** - This policy for W-2 employed educators and student educators covers you individually against a broad range of risks educators face. Choose either \$1 million or \$2 million in protection. Rates start at \$94 per year.
- **Private Practice Professional Liability** - An affordable option for educators not directly employed by a school or district, this plan offers liability protection to individuals, partnerships and corporations, with liability limits as high as \$1 million per claim/\$3 million aggregate per year.

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President's Message

Tuesday, May 2, 2017 is National Teacher Appreciation Day. The National Education Association describes National Teacher Day "as a day for honoring teachers and recognizing the lasting contributions they make to our lives".

Those of us who teach in a correctional center might question why we do what we do. Let's face it, many of us found our way to this profession in a less than traditional manner, and yet our work does make a "lasting contribution" to the lives of our students. So the next time you face going through security and that door slam echoes down the hall, know that what we do is important.

Congratulations on a job well done! Take a moment to celebrate!

Laurie
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"Each day, teachers come to school ready to tackle a job that is critically important, extraordinarily complex, often joyful, and at times, heartbreaking. In essence, teachers help others to become their best selves and I can think of no more important work."

US Secretary of Education Arne Duncan, May 2013

To join CEA go to: www.ceanational.org