2024 Steward Conference Agenda

RENAISSANCE COLUMBUS WESTERVILLE-POLARIS HOTEL & ON ZOOM • JUNE 8, 2024



FRIDAY, JUNE 7 TH	
5:30-7:00 PM	Early On-site Check In
6:00-9:00 PM	Basic Steward Training
6:00–9:00 PM	Advanced Steward Training

SATURDAY, JUNE 8 TH	
8:30-10:00 AM	On-site Check In & Informational Tables, Breakfast
10:00–10:15 AM	DR&C State Honor Guard, Presentation of Colors
10:15–11:00 AM	Welcome from OCSEA Statewide Officer Christopher Mabe, President Gerard "Rocky" Jolly, Vice President Kathy Gersper, Secretary-Treasurer
11:00–11:45 AM	Guest Speaker John Nadalin
11:45 AM-12:45 PM	Lunch
12:45–1:30 PM	Guest Speaker Carlos Wallace
1:30–1:45 PM	Break
1:45-2:15 PM	Contract Update
2:15–3:00 PM	Closing and door prizes (must be present to win)
3:00 PM	Adjourn
	Printed in-house by: OCSEA

Ohio Civil Service Employees Association



John Nadalin

John Nadalin was born and raised in Columbus, Ohio on the Hilltop, the westside of the city. He learned about hard work and union membership at the right hand of his father. Along the way he has been a member of the UFCW, the Brotherhood of Firemen and Enginemen, the Brotherhood of Fireman and Oilers, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the United Transportation Union, and upon retirement in 2010, the SMART TD (Transportation Division), formerly the UTU.

While he holds three college degrees (BS, MBA, and Ph.D.), none has been as significant as his promotion to Locomotive Engineer in 1971. Over his 42 years in the rail industry, he's held union positions in his locals as Committee Chair, Legislative Representative, Safety Chair, International Delegate, Director of Research and Education for the BLE where he also served as Assistant to the President, the Labor Research Coordinator for the UTU, and Director of Strategic Planning over many organizing campaigns. Currently, John serves as an adjunct faculty member at the Ross College of Business at Franklin University in their Doctor of Business Administration program.



Carlos Wallace

Carlos Wallace is an author, youth advocate, motivational speaker and labor relations expert. He is a multifaceted creator and sought-after public speaker with a diverse range of accomplishments. The bestselling author, motivational speaker, and youth advocate has made significant contributions to various fields. Carlos is deeply committed to raising awareness about labor relations and the history and power of unions. With decades of experience as a fifth-generation

railroader and a graduate of the National Labor College, he is recognized as an expert in labor relations, mediation, and contract negotiations.

Carlos has authored three books including "Life Is Not Complicated, You Are: Turning Your Biggest Disappointments into Your Greatest Blessings," "The Other 99T.Y.M.E.S: Train Your Mind to Enjoy Serenity," and his latest, "Why Sell Lies When the Truth Is Free." Notably, two are now integral components of the Behavioral Psychology Curriculum at Prairie View A&M University. Carlos has also made significant strides in the film industry, having written and produced two award-winning films, including the critically acclaimed "Poetic Energy Needed in Society (P.E.N.S.)." He serves as President and CEO of Sol-Caritas LLC, an entertainment and philanthropy company.