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## OBF at Ohio Transportation Engineering Conference



ODOT Director Jerry Wray visits the OBF display at OTEC., where he is greeted by OBF Chair Chuck Smith (above). Since OTEC, the “Bicycles May Use Full Lane” (BMUFL) sign pictured above has been added to the 2012 Ohio Manual for Uniform Traffic Control Devices (OMUTCD). Now, there is no longer any reason for Ohio communities to postpone using this sign. The new OMUTCD includes guidance suggesting “BEGIN BMUFL” and “END BMUFL” signs. We believe the “END” sign sends the wrong message. Please contact ODOT if you have thoughts on this signage:

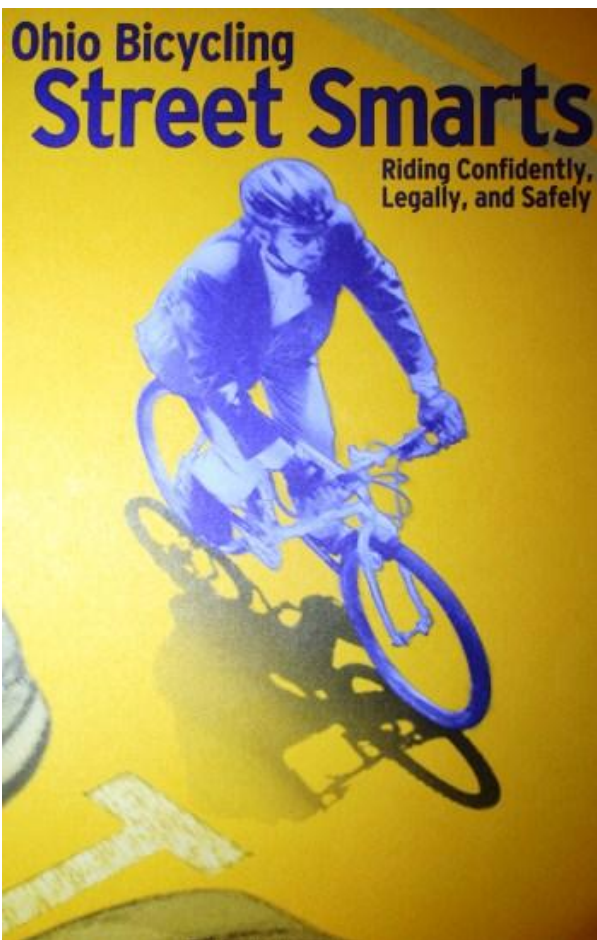
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Your Ohio Bicycle Federation participated in the Ohio Department of Transportation’s Ohio Transportation Engineering Conference (OTEC) for the second straight year on October 25-26, 2011. OBF participation included our display (shown on left and below) and speakers (shown below).

OBF Board Member Steve Magas gave a review of fatal Ohio bicycle crashes during 2011. OBF Board Member Andy Davis then discussed bicycle planning for small and medium sized communities.



ODOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Planner Heather Bowden sits between OBF Board Members Andy Davis (left) of Akron and Steve Magas of Cincinnati at OTEC speakers table.



## OHIO BICYCLING STREET SMARTS

Your Ohio Bicycle Federation in 2002 teamed with the Ohio Department of Public Safety to make “Ohio Bicycling Street Smarts” available to all at no charge. This fine book written by John Allen describes how to ride a bicycle confidently, legally, and safely in traffic. The bill creating our OBF “Share the Road” license plate started making funds available for continued publication of Ohio Bicycling Street Smarts through license plate sales, beginning in 2005. The funds are now available for more Ohio Bicycling Street Smarts copies and more copies are needed. If you would like to see more “Ohio Bicycling Street Smarts” booklets available, please contact:

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OBF Board Member Tricia Kovacs with ODOT Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program Manager Julie Roberts at OBF display during OTEC. Tricia is a key Safe Routes to School leader in the Columbus Area and was successful in bringing the League of American Bicyclists “Bicycle Friendly Community” designation to Columbus.



Ohio Bicycle Federation Board Member Andy Davis of Akron makes point during OTEC presentation while ODOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Planner Heather Bowden looks on.



OBF Board Member and “Ohio Bike Lawyer” Steve Magas of Cincinnati addresses OTEC concerning Ohio bicycle fatalities while Andy Davis of OBF and Ohio Bicycle and Pedestrian Planner Heather Bowden look on.

# OBF at Adventure Summit, Feb 10 & 11 at WSU

Join your Ohio Bicycle Federation on February 10 & 11 in the Wright State University Student Union Building in Fairborn for the exciting Adventure Summit. The OBF joins Five Rivers MetroParks in sponsoring this event. Check it out at <http://www.metroparks.org/adventuresummit/>.

Catch the OBF display and those of OBF member organizations including the Dayton Cycling Club, Cincinnati Cycle Club, Major Taylor Cycling Club, Team Dayton, Colavita Cycling, and Miami Valley Mountain Biking Association from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, February 10, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, February 11 in the Atrium on the first floor of the Wright State Student Union Building. We need volunteers to honcho our OBF display for these time slots. If interested, please email Chuck Smith at [chuck@ohiobike.org](mailto:chuck@ohiobike.org).

Join us for our Ohio Bicycle Federation meeting starting at 1:30 pm on February 11 in the Emerald Room, near the exhibit floor.

Mountain biking pioneer Gary Fisher will speak at 8 p.m. on Friday and participate in a Saturday morning panel discussion.

## **DRIVING DIRECTIONS**

### **From the North (Toledo area)**

I-75 south to I-70 east

I-70 east to I-675 south

I-675 south to North Fairfield Road (Exit 17)

Turn right on North Fairfield Road, travel approximately 1/2 mile to Colonel Glenn Highway

Turn left on Colonel Glenn Highway

Turn right at the second traffic light onto University Blvd.

Follow the signs to the Visitor's Parking Lot

### **From the Northeast (Cleveland/Akron area)**

I-71 south to I-270 west

I-270 west to I-70 west

I-70 west to I-675 south

I-675 south to North Fairfield Road (Exit 17)

Turn right on North Fairfield Road, travel approximately 1/2 mile to Colonel Glenn Highway

Turn left on Colonel Glenn Highway

Turn right at the second traffic light onto University Blvd.

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### **From the South**

I-75 north to I-675 north

I-675 north to North Fairfield Road (Exit 17). Follow sign for North Fairfield Road (not WSU)

Turn left on North Fairfield Road, travel approximately 1/2 mile to Colonel Glenn Highway

Turn left on Colonel Glenn Highway

Turn right at the second traffic light onto University Blvd.

Follow the signs to the Visitor's Parking Lot

### **From the East or West**

I-70 to I-675 south

I-675 south to North Fairfield Road (Exit 17)

Turn right on North Fairfield Road, travel approximately 1/2 mile to Colonel Glenn Highway

Turn left on Colonel Glenn Highway

Turn right at the second traffic light onto University Blvd.

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JOIN US!**

The Ohio Bicycle Federation is an alliance of individuals and organizations interested in promoting the use of bicycles for recreation, transportation and sport. It serves by providing opportunities for the betterment of bicycle education, engineering, legislation, and the encouragement of activities involving the use of bicycles and by serving as a forum for the exchange of information and ideas.

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- 1 Year** – Single \$20, Family \$25, Supporting/Organization \$50, Sustaining \$100
- 2 Years** – Single \$35, Family \$45, Supporting/Organization \$90, Sustaining \$190
- 3 Years** – Single \$50, Family \$65, Supporting/Organization \$130, Sustaining \$280
- Lifetime** – \$300

Join at the Supporting level or above and receive an OBF t-shirt so you can proudly show your support!

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Complete the form above and send it today!  
or, join or renew at [ohiobike.org/e-joina.htm](http://ohiobike.org/e-joina.htm)