The Counseling Center of Wayne & Holmes Counties 2285 Benden Drive Wooster, OH 44691

# CENTER UPDATE

JULY, 2012

## **OVER 4100 SERVED!**

The Counseling Center served 4,117 different persons during the year that ended on June 30. This is an increase of 4% over the previous fiscal year and represents a significant accomplishment since both staffing and funding remained fairly constant. Preliminary reports show that the agency provided over 170,000 units of various types of mental health services to the community during the same period including: 24-hour crisis intervention, mental health counseling, psychiatric services, community support, residential treatment, home-based services for children and youth, school-based services and employment services.



### **NEW BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED**

The Counseling Center is pleased to welcome three new members to the Board of Directors. Elected to a two year term, representing Holmes County, is Gary Aurand. Aurand, who lives in Millersburg, recently retired as Chief Probation Officer for Holmes County. Elected to three year terms representing Wayne County are Paul McGhee and Scott Preising, CPA. McGhee is a Manager at Wooster Orthopedics and Sports Medicine and Preising is an accountant with Frank, Seringer and Chaney. Also elected to continue with a second term is **Dennis Boen**. Boen is employed by Huntington Insurance and lives in Wooster. Officers for the coming year include: Chair, Diane Stromme Mast of Millersburg; Vice-Chair, Dennis Boen; Secretary, David Reynolds, M.D., and Treasurer, William Roberston of Rittman.

#### STAFF ADDITIONS

Recent additions to the Counseling Center staff include:

**Jo Ann Wingfield**, Employment Specialist/Job Coach.

**Carolyn Hutto,** Residential Assistant. Hutto previously held a similar position at the Center for over 10 years.

Brent Ellsworth, Information Systems Technician.
Ellsworth was previously employed as a Computer Technician at Inacom/ComputerMIXX in Wooster, as a Systems Engineer at R&D Computer Systems in Creston and as the owner of IXL Computer Services in Wooster.

#### **SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANT**

The Counseling Center has been named as the recipient of a \$10,000 grant from the Ohio Suicide Prevention Foundation which will support the Center in providing the Signs of Suicide (S.O.S.) prevention program in local schools during the coming school year. The S.O.S. program is an evidence based prevention program which Counseling Center staff are specially trained to provide.

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