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## **Miami County Director Honored For Being 'Senior Statesman' In Ohio**

COLUMBUS, Ohio – The Executive Director of the *Ohio Association of County Boards (OACB) of Developmental Disabilities* honored a Miami County Director for his strong mentoring abilities.

As a result of Bob Beavis' hard work, he was honored with one of two Partners In Excellence awards at the 27th annual CONVENTION at the *Hilton at Easton* Dec. 1-3.

Bill Angel, MUI Director at the *Montgomery County Board of Developmental Disabilities*, received the other Partners In Excellence Award for 2010.

"Bob Beavis is the Senior Statesman for Ohio's Personnel Council," said Dan Ohler, *OACB* Executive Director.

Ohler noted that whenever new personnel directors are hired or whenever issues arise throughout the state requiring thoughtful, knowledgeable responses, Beavis the man other personnel directors turn to.

"Bob always feels like it is his responsibility to help other personnel directors, but he never let his work slip at Miami County while he is helping others," Ohler said in presenting Beavis with the award.

The Miami County director's comments were short and to the point.

"I belong to a good organization, and I'm proud to be of part of it," he told the crowd of about 600 people who were in attendance at the *OACB* Convention.

Commissioned in 2006, this annual award is presented to a *County Board of Developmental Disabilities* staff member who demonstrates exemplary service in offering their expertise to a workgroup or specific project that benefits the *County Board of Developmental Disabilities* system as a whole, not just their specific county. The award is presented to a deserving individual as determined by the *OACB*. That person is recognized either at the annual convention, or at a local Board meeting of the recipient.

All 88 *County Boards of Developmental Disabilities* in Ohio are members of the *OACB*, whose purpose is to educate and advocate for the 85,000 individuals with developmental disabilities who reside in the Buckeye State.

**CUTLINE: Bob Beavis, left, is pictured with Dan Ohler, *OACB* Executive Director.**

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