## **2024 OPRA REGIONAL TRAINING SEMINAR**

# **Customer Service: At the Heart of the Matter**

# – the "Little" Things Are the Big Things

## **Presented by Jo Burns**

Jo Burns Connects, LLC





Jo is an award-winning advocate for healthy communities. She is the Chief Connection and Collaboration Officer for Jo Burns Connects, LLC. She is the co-founder and director for the Colorado Public Health/Parks and Recreation Collaborative.

She is an insightful connector, collaborator, speaker, trainer, educator and consultant for non-profits, public entities, higher education, and community organizations.

She has over 20 years experience working with diverse populations in recreation, camps, parks, and public health.

Customer Service is all about helping people. Whether it's the good times or the not so good, we've all been there in those awkward moments. These are opportunities to truly connect, listen, and have a conversation with someone, but what do you say? Most of our customer service conversations revolve around sharing information: giving class times, showing how to sign up, informing why the pool is closed. You get the idea. What if we look at them as opportunities to start a relationship?

During the pandemic we pivoted to having flat-screen engagement. It's a remarkable tool, yet our social aptitude and connections have suffered for it. It's hard to get the full picture of a person when you can only see from the shoulders up or can barely make eye contact. In this workshop we're going to dig deep and get to the heart of listening, how to ask better questions, how to use our non-verbal skills to help patrons feel more welcome, and how to read their non-verbal skills (it works with colleagues too.) We're going to put our skills in action, use some real-life scenarios and have some fun. Come engage in and learn guaranteed techniques to get a connection started, improve your listening skills, identify non-verbal cues, and lay a foundation for genuine relationships with customers and colleagues.

## **DATES AND LOCATIONS:**



#### Wednesday, December 4 | 10:00AM - 3:00PM

MetroParks of Butler County Voice of America Park, Ronald Reagan Lodge 7850 VOA Park Drive, West Chester, OH 45069



#### Thursday, December 5 | 10:00AM - 3:00PM

Medina County Park District Buffalo Creek Retreat 8708 Hubbard Valley Rd, Seville, OH 44273



# Friday, December 6 | 10:00AM - 3:00PM

Dublin Recreation Center 5600 Post Road Dublin, OH 43017

# Register TODAY at opraonline.org

Registration is \$70 for members/\$110 for non-members and includes a light lunch. A \$30 late fee will be added to all registrations received after November 25th.

OPRA Group Members are eligible for a 50% discount. See website for details.

0.3 CEUs will be provided.

Space may be limited at some locations so please register early to ensure your first location choice.

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