

Ohio Politics and Politicians

A Roundtable

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The roundtable will cover the 1998 elections in Ohio along with the major political events that have occurred in the Buckeye State during the era of Governor George Voinovich. Professor Knepper is likely to take the long view in his commentary, providing perspective on the 1990s from his extensive knowledge of the state's political history. Brent Larkin, Sandy Theis, and Brian Usher, veteran state political observers, share extensive first-hand experience with all of the state's key political figures of recent decades. They will explain how Ohio reached the political point it occupies today on the eve of a major election. Topics to be covered will include the school-funding controversy, taxes, ethics in state government, among others things. The dynamics of the current campaign, which includes Governor Voinovich's bid to enter the U.S. Senate, will receive close attention.