BOCONEO is offering a bus trip to the ICC Business meeting in Detroit Tuesday, September 27. Billy Phillips needs our support. If you are an ICC voting member please consider getting a seat on the bus and support a vote for Billy for the ICC Board of Director. Reservations must be made on the BOCONEO website.

If you have never witnessed the complete process of code change hearings, this is a unique and rare opportunity to do just that. There are thousands of proposals to be heard this year. Get involved in code change testimony at the hearings and qualify for a $300 refund from OBOA for room or transportation costs not covered by your employer. Go to the ICC website http://www.iccsafe.org/ and click the “Annual Conference Detroit 2005” icon for conference registration information.

Dan Kaczor is doing a great job as BOCONEO Webmaster. Unfortunately not many members are checking the website for news. The newsletter will eventually end so the only way you will learn about meetings and events will be through the website or calling a member “in the know”.

If you missed the annual golf outing at Rolling Greens you missed a great day and a good time. 76 players enjoyed great weather and good food. (Notice nothing is said about how we played!) 94 holes were sold to 39 sponsors. The official amount of profit for the college scholarship fund will be announced in the treasurer report.

Has it been two years already???? Any member interested in serving as an officer on the BOCONEO Board of Director’s should be preparing a resume’ now. A slate of candidates must be presented to the general membership prior to the annual meeting in November. Positions up for election are President, 1st Vice President and 2nd Vice President. All three positions are two year terms. It’s not to early to give some serious thought to serving your organization.

Proposed changes to BOCONEO bylaws will also be presented to the general membership prior to the annual meeting. Certain aspects of the current bylaws are in need of updating. Section 3.01 General Membership, 6.03 Executive Director and 9.03 Building Standards are examples of dated bylaws. Bylaws are posted on the BOCONEO website for those of us with inquiring minds.

I look forward to seeing you at the September meeting!

Richard Smith

2005-2006 Meeting Schedule

September 21
Ohio Ethics Law

October 18
ICC Annual 6hr Class

November
Annual Business Meeting

December
No meeting (Installation Dinner)

January 17
Installation of Natural Gas Piping and Equipment

February 15
OBOA—Inspecting Gas Piping

March 15
Inspection of Fireplaces & Chimneys

April 19
Commercial Kitchens & Grease Traps

May 17
Legal Liability of Building Dept. Personnel

June 21
Metal Studs & Metal Framing

Many people contributed to the success of this year’s golfing event.

Special Thanks to Larry Helden, Dave Hocevar, John Marelli, and Dale Grabfelder.
The following items were discussed at the abbreviated meeting in Reynoldsburg on July 28th prior to the Mechanical seminar that was held on that day.

**ICC Conference**

....Everyone is encouraged to attend the ICC Conference in Detroit on September 27. At that time we will have the opportunity to get some of our own people on the ICC board—namely **Billy Phillips and Mark Stimac** from Michigan. It should be a very interesting conference.

**Residential Code Committee**

....The Residential Code Committee is now meeting on a regular basis and will meet all through August and September, approximately 4 times per month. They are reportedly leaning strongly toward adopting the Residential Code of Ohio (formerly the OBOA 1, 2 and 3-Family Dwelling Code) with certain exceptions. They have also approached the OBOA Code Committee to discuss the possibility of OBOA continuing to handle the residential code change process in Ohio.

**Educational Ad Hoc Committee**

....The educational Ad Hoc Committee met again last month to continue the preparation for the first Code Academy to be held during the week of October 24th. No site has been selected as of yet, but it will reportedly be in the Columbus area. The Committee also discussed the impact of the State Residential Code on the training process. They expect approximately 1500 new certifications as the result of the adoption of the State Residential Code. These new certifications will also impact BOCONEO’s membership.

**Manufactured Homes Committee**

....The Manufactured Homes Committee expects to have temporary rules in place for the Governor’s signature by August 6th. They will then have about one month to get the permanent rules ready for adoption. There is still no vehicle in place for any inspections, but the new rules will cover necessary training, certification and fees. John Brant of the BBS is the Secretary of this committee and will keep us informed of the progress.

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**BOCONEO Meeting Minutes**

- Phil Seyboldt

- Richard Smith called the meeting to order at 12:40 p.m.
- A special thanks to Dave Tiller for an excellent presentation. Nice job!
- The new BOCONEO applications will be going out in the October newsletter and also on the BOCONEO webpage (www.boconeo.org)
- I would personally like to thank the members who worked so hard on the golf outing, it was a great success! A special thank you to Richard Smith for such an active role.

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**BOCONEO Website Report**

In August we had a total of 388 visits to our website. Of those 388 visits, 42 clicked onto the BOCONEO Newsletter. Tell us your e-mail address and get in on the loop!

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Editors Note......

The Katrina disaster has left us all shaken by the immensity of the human loss and building destruction. Those of us in the building business are especially aware of the damage that must have been done to the structures left standing. While for the present we can contribute money and perhaps even our time to some volunteer organization doing work in the affected area, one can not help but consider the impact that reconstruction will have on the “building official” profession.

“Although the world is very full of suffering, it is always full of the overcoming of it.”

-Helen Keller

There will be time enough for the, “inspection” process, but for now one can only imagine the size of that task. As the author, William Keith stated,

“The course of human history is determined not by what happens in the skies, but what takes place in the hearts of men.”

-Jim Darcy
First Class