When I was given the position of Building commissioner for Lorain I promised to uphold the Laws of the State of Ohio and those of Lorain to have no outside interest conflicting with these and generally to uphold the reputation of the office. I feel good about this and feel I will uphold my pledges to the citizens of this city and to the Members of BOCONEO.

As I wrote some months ago when we look in the mirror at night after a good days work we know. Maslow, a philosopher, stated that there are seven stages to becoming self-actualized:
- We need to overcome fear
- We need to feel loved
- We need security
- Later we need self-esteem.

Castaneda, a more recent philosopher, stated that there are four rungs to the ladder of a successful life:
- To overcome fear
- To overcome power, because as fear, power can overcome and control you and not you it.
- Knowledge
- Lastly, one that will defeat us all, eventually, old age.

I say these things because as inspectors and officials we are susceptible to the shortcomings of human fragility and we need to be strong to succeed. Do not let fear rule your judgment and do not let the power of your office over rule your understanding for honesty, honor and a sense of justice.

Kindest Regards,
Prez Dez

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YOU ARE INVITED TO:

MAY EDUCATION PROGRAM

**Correction** - This program is scheduled for June 21.

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<td>TIME:</td>
<td>1:00 Program: Personal &amp; Job Site Safety—</td>
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LOCATION: The Lodge
RESERVE SPACE: YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER
Dave Hocevar @ 440-338-1606

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BOCONEO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2006
Front L-R: Rich. Smith (Past President), Bill Griswold (2nd VP), Phil Seyboldt (1st VP), Bill Desvari (President)
Second L-R: Jim Darcy (Cooperating), Dale Grabfelder (Treasurer), Dave Hocevar (Secretary) and Dan Kaczor (Webmaster).
Calling all Sponsors

July 14, 2006
Building Officials Conference of N.E. Ohio Annual Golf Outing
At the
Rolling Greens Golf Course
15900 Mayfield Rd., Huntsburg Township, OH
Shotgun Start @ 9:00 a.m.
Registration @ 7:30—8:30 a.m.
Contact: Richard Smith @ 440-953-4120

Finance Report

APRIL 2006

Checking Beginning Balance $15,651.13

CREDITS
Membership  422.09

Subtotal:  422.09

DEBITS
Postage  124.80
Meeting Food  1,245.00
Newsletter  100.00
Treasurer’s Fee  250.00
Secretary Fee  250.00
Visa Annual Fee  35.00
Subtotal:  (2,004.80)

Checking Ending Balance $14,068.42

Scholarship  (3,510.00)
C.D.  21,097.36

TOTAL :  $31,655.78
The OBOA budget for 2006 was discussed. Income is expected to be approximately $36,000. Projected expenses amount to about $40,000 at this time. Among other things included in this year’s budget was the cost of developing residential code classes—possibly in cooperation with ICC—which can be sent around the state for the benefit of all of the local chapters. The discussion was tabled for continuation at the next meeting.

Some interesting information was discussed as related to the new Residential Code of Ohio, which takes effect on May 27th. It was previously understood by most, that departments enforcing a residential code would have to start remitting the 1% state surcharge on residential permits sold from that date forward. Billy Phillips reported, however, that a department is not responsible for remitting the 1% money until after its individual Residential Building Department certification is approved by the BBS. We all understand that each department is responsible for submitting the necessary paperwork to the state in order to receive the Residential certification. Once that certification has been issued by the BBS, then and only then is the individual department responsible for collecting the 1% fee. A worksheet will be issued by the BBS on what is subject to the fee and which permits or projects are not.

The new Residential Code of Ohio will be available from ICC on May 17th for purchase. The cost is $69. to members and $87 for non-members. Check the ICC website (http://www.iccsafe.org/) for the order forms. Similar code books will also be available from West Publishing for approximately $138 per copy for those with money to burn.

The second session of the Ohio Code Academy is now in the books. Billy Phillips reported that many improvements were made as the result of the lessons learned from the first session. All who attended felt that is was a very positive experience. Unfortunately, there was a very high rate of no-shows among those invited to attend. Approximately 70 individuals attended the Academy, while nearly 60 failed to show. The next session is tentatively planned for October 2006.

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