

B.O.C.O.N.E.O. NEWSLETTER

The next BOCONEO meeting and education seminar will be held on **March 21, 2007.**

Subject will be: "**Shell Buildings Shouldn't be a Shell Game**"

Presented by:
Steve Regoli, OBBS

Course No.: **BBS2005-532C**

Approved for **1.5 hours for BO, MPE, PPE, EPE, BI, MI, PI.**

Don't forget about our plumbing roundtables.

From 10:15 until 11:15 on meeting days, Plumbing Inspectors, Building Officials, Master Plans Examiners, Plumbing Plans Examiners, Residential Building Officials, and Residential Plumbing Inspectors can come in early and discuss a topic to be determined and earn one-hour of BBS credit for BO, MPE, PPE, PI, RBO and RPI.

Don't have access to the internet???

Most libraries and senior centers have free internet access and people to help out. The BOCONEO web site has up-to-date information and other information not included in the Newsletter. Just type in www.boconeo.org and you are on your way.

Positions available:

Ashtabula County
Warrensville Heights (clerical)
Maple Heights
East Cleveland (2)
Richmond Heights

See the want ads on page 3.



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To all members of BOCONEO:

Last month many of you attended the OBOA/NCOBOA annual conference. The conference was a huge success and the many hard working people who were responsible are to be congratulated for their fine accomplishment. This conference was a record for attendance and possibly educational hours as well. Over 500 Building Officials, Inspectors, and Design Professionals attended. This does not include the companions, as there were many of them as well. Great Job Ladies and Gentlemen...and Saw Mill Creak, what a beautiful place that is. BOCONEO had a hospitality room for the two nights and that was well attended also.

In 2009, we will be hosting the annual conference and we need help. Committees are being formed soon so contact Phil Seyboldt, Bill Griswold, Dave Hocevar, Dale Grabfelder or myself and volunteer.

Phil was elected by the membership to the Secretary's position for the OBOA Executive Board and I was re-elected for a second term as Director-at-Large. They love my donuts. Phil on the other hand is doing a great job and I look forward to working with him in the Future.

Thank all of you for the kind words, the surgery on the spine went well... the doctor gave me six months ... so I refused to pay him... so he gave me another six months. Seriously all is well thank you for all your kind remarks. By the way Phil, they *did not* cut off my neck and put it into a bottle.

Back to business.

If you can volunteer for a committee, please let one of the board members know. We will need at least thirty (30) people to get the massive amounts of work split up enough so it won't burn anyone out.

Make sure you have registered your City with the Advisory Boards for the RCO. May is near.

Lastly, at the OBOA meeting we discussed long term Ideas and we asked the BBS to fund a library for each Chapter to have for the use of their members for testing purposes. ICC may get on board and allow chapter members to have free access to the on line practice tests as well. They will let us know soon. But, BBS has appropriated money for educational material and will check to see if the State can give Chapters, depending on size, the publications required for tests. As soon as I find out their decision I shall notify all of you.

*kindest Regards
Prez Dez.*

An Executive Board meeting is scheduled at the Willoughby Brewing Company, 12:00 pm, Tuesday, March 13, 2007. All members who want to participate in organizing the Joint Conference are invited to attend. (Also anyone who wants to serve on the Board!) Directions can be found on the website www.willoughbybrewing.com

February Plumbing Roundtable Approved !

BOCONEO received BBS approval for the plumbing round-table discussions. Dave Kaminski had the good sense to pass around a sheet of legal pad for a sign-in sheet, so we have the names of the 25 people who attended. That was a pretty good showing for a discussion group that was announced to be un-approved and accompanied a regular class for electricians only.

Next month Phil Seyboldt will give each of those attendees a 1-hour certificate for the February meeting in addition to their March certificate. The approval number is BBS2005-567(a thru h).

The approval was also expanded to include to Master Plans Examiners, Residential Building Officials, and Residential Plumbing Inspectors not just Plumbing Inspectors, Building Officials, and Plumbing Plans Examiners originally announced.

from Steve Regoli, OBBS

The RCAC (Residential Code Advisory Commission) is gathering information on a change that is before the RCAC to increase the experience requirement of a Residential Plumbing Inspector from its current level of 3 years of experience to match that of a commercial plumbing inspector which is 7 years of experience.

The BBS needs responses as quickly as possible. The RCAC tabled the item at its last meeting and will meet on the 27th so initial responses can help as well as any responses before the RCAC meeting.

[Ed. note: Try to get responses in early but no later than Monday March 26, 2007. The information request form is on page 5 of this newsletter.]

BOCONEO AND NORTH COAST CODES LTD. ANNOUNCE

A 30-hour electrical code class based on the text of the National Electrical Code. The class will be offered in 3 to 3 1/2 hour segments on Friday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 4 or 4:30 pm beginning on Friday, April 13th, 2007.

Courses will be offered in 10-hour segments. Participants will be required to attend each of three classes in a segment to obtain credit for that segment.

Segments are as follows: Segment 1 - April 13th, April 20th, April 27th
Segment 2 - May 4th, May 11th, May 18th
Segment 3 - May 25th, June 1st, June 8th

Classes may not be taken out of segment sequence. BBS credit is approved for BO, RBO, MPE, ESI, and EPE.

Cost of the course will be \$90 per class or \$270 for the entire segment. Applications will soon be available on the BOCONEO website

Building Officials Conference of Northeast Ohio P.O. Box 24936 Mayfield Heights, Ohio 44124 January 2007 Financial Report

Begin Balance		9981.11
Credit		
Membership	2730.00	
	Total	2730.00
Debits		
Ex. Comm	198.64	
Bank fee	3.50	
Food Jan. Mtr.	1300.00	
	Total	1502.14
Checking Balance		10,887.44
CD		21,097.36
Total Assets		31,984.80

Secretary's Report

I would like to thank Dave Nix of North Coast Codes for an excellent presentation.

ATTENTION BOCONEO MEMBERS
Membership cards will be handed out at our monthly meetings to current members.

A membership card will be needed to attend our monthly meetings.

There seems to be many people who believe they are members, but their place of employment never followed up on the paper work. If you are not sure, please call Dave at (440) 338-6700 ext 234

Registration for Lunch + Business Meeting + Education Seminar - March 21, 2007 @ 11:30 am

Shell Buildings Shouldn't be a Shell Game presented by Steve Regoli, OBBS.

1.5 hours of continuing education credit for BO, MPE, PPE, EPE, BI, MI, PI.

Name:	
Jurisdiction:	
Address:	
City:	OH, Zip:
Telephone:	Fax:
Email:	

Fill out the form and mail to:

BOCONEO
P.O. Box 24936
Mayfield Hts., Ohio 44124

or Fax to:

(440) 338 - 1606

ASHTABULA COUNTY

Union job classification: Inspector II, Pay grade scale: 27, Step I
(Approximately \$41,500 / year)
Building Inspector, Class III/RBO, Electrical Inspector, ESI

Ashtabula County consists of 706 square miles, 3 cities, 7 villages, and 27 townships.

Ashtabula County is seeking a full-time building and electrical inspector. Applicants must possess as a minimum the following State of Ohio certifications: (1) Building Inspector, Class III; (2) Residential Building Official, RBO; (3) Electrical Safety Inspector, ESI. Must be willing to pursue certification as an inspector for the installation of manufactured homes with the Ohio Manufactured Home Commission.

Qualified applicants shall have working experience and knowledge in the inspections of commercial and residential buildings and the State of Ohio building codes. The applicant shall effectively communicate with technical and non-technical individuals and enforce the codes and regulations adopted by the State of Ohio in a firm, persuasive and reasonable manner. Prior experience is a plus. Must be able to perform field inspections, climb ladders and lift fifty pounds. Must possess an Ohio Driver's License. Deadline for submitting applications shall be March 23, 2007. Resumes without completed Ashtabula County applications shall not be accepted. Applications for employment may be obtained at the following web site under job postings

www.co.ashtabula.oh.us/AshCtyWebR53.nsf/CommishFrameset!OpenFrameSet

Or, applications may be obtained from the following address:
Ashtabula County (440) 576-3747
Lauren Davis, Director Human Resource
25 West Jefferson Street
Jefferson, Ohio 44047

Contact person for submitting applications and resumes shall be Lauren Davis, Director Human Resources for Ashtabula County.

Ashtabula County is a drug free workplace
An Equal Opportunity Employer
ADA Compliant

**CITY OF MAPLE HEIGHTS
BUILDING INSPECTOR
\$21.70 - \$24.92 HR.**

City of Maple Heights is seeking a part-time Electrical Safety Inspector with Building Inspector Certification.
Duties: Permit inspections of residential/commercial properties, maintenance code compliance including POS inspections, complaint resolution.
Requirements: Board of Building Standards Certification for Electrical and Building Inspection. Prior experience and additional certifications desirable.
Please send resume immediately or visit and complete application at:
City of Maple Heights
Building Department
Attention: Building Official
5353 Lee Road
Maple Heights, Ohio 44137
EEOE and Drug Free Workplace

**City of Warrensville Heights
Building Department**

The City of Warrensville Heights is interviewing for a Clerical Position in the Building Department. Preferable, someone with building department experience, and must have exceptional computer skills.

Anyone interested should contact Melvin Lester at (216) 1587-1230 or send resume, with three references, to the attention of

Melvin Lester
19700 Miles Road
Warrensville Heights, Ohio 44128

**City of East Cleveland, Ohio
13601 Euclid Ave.
East Cleveland OH 44112-4217
BUILDING COMMISSIONER**

Full time. Primary responsibilities include the administration of the City's Building/Housing inspection program, monitoring and adjusting inspection policies and procedures, public relations, short and long term planning, budget preparation, personnel administration and management of code enforcement.

Must possess State of Ohio certifications as Building Official, Building Inspector, Electrical Safety Inspector, and Plumbing Inspector. Must possess an Ohio Drivers' License.

Send resume to William Ellington, Community Development Director, 13601 Euclid Ave East Cleveland OH 44112-4217, or via fax 216-681-2103 or via e-mail wellington@eastcleveland.org
Salary: \$50,000/yr

**City of East Cleveland, Ohio
13601 Euclid Ave.
East Cleveland OH 44112-4217
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR**

Full time. Performs intermediate technical work in Housing & Building code inspections and does related work. Must possess any combination of education and experience equivalent to graduation from High School and considerable experience in building and housing inspection. Must possess an Ohio Drivers' License. Must possess State of Ohio Electrical Safety Inspector certification.

Send resume to William Ellington, Community Development Director, 13601 Euclid Ave East Cleveland OH 44112-4217, or via fax 216-681-2103 or via e-mail wellington@eastcleveland.org
Salary: \$40,000/yr

**CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING, ZONING AND HOUSING
ASSISTANT BUILDING COMMISSIONER**

Eastern suburb housing approximately 11,000 persons seeks a qualified individual to fill the position of Assistant Commissioner of Building, Zoning and Housing. Qualified candidates shall possess certifications as issued by the State of Ohio as a Building Inspector and either an Electrical Safety Inspector or a Plumbing Inspector and possess the experience to obtain a certification as a Building Official within three years. Additional relevant licenses and certifications a plus. The applicant shall also have a working knowledge of state and local building codes as well as zoning and housing regulations and have the ability to read construction documents and determine site data.

The applicant shall effectively communicate with technical and non-technical people and enforce adopted codes and regulations in a firm, persuasive and reasonable manner.

Salary commensurate with experience; health benefit plans apply.

Resumes shall be submitted by 10-30-06 to Mayor Daniel J. Ursu, City of Richmond Heights, 457 Richmond Road, Richmond Heights, Ohio 44143

2007 BOCONEO MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION BUILDING OFFICIALS CONFERENCE OF NORTHEAST OHIO

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone (____) _____ Home Phone (____) _____

E-mail _____

Are you a member of ICC? _____ Yes _____ No
If you are a ICC member, your chapter affiliation is #22.

Employer _____

State Certifications

BO _____ MPE _____ BI _____ FPI _____ MI _____ ESI _____ PI _____ EPE _____ PPE _____
RBO _____ RPE _____ RBI _____ RPI _____ Other _____

Membership Classifications

- _____ Regular: Persons employed by a government agency and holding a current BBS Certificate.
- _____ Associate: Persons employed by a government agency and NOT holding a BBS Certificate (health, fire service, zoning).
- _____ Cooperating: Persons such as Architects, Engineers, Builders and Industry Representatives.
- _____ Honorary: Membership bestowed by the Conference upon those who have demonstrated meritorious service to the industry.
- _____ Retired: Regular and associate members that have retired and are not employed in any capacity.
- _____ Student: Persons attending recognized schools of learning (full time) with interests that promote the purpose of the Conference.

Make checks payable to **BOCONEO, P.O. Box 24936, Mayfield Hts., Ohio 44124**

Dues Schedule

Regular and Associate Member: \$65 per year, which includes membership in the Ohio Building Officials Association.

Cooperating Membership: \$85 per year, includes membership in the Ohio Building Officials Association.
\$75 per year if you hold a membership in a trade, professional, or other recognized chapter. Submit a copy of additional membership with this application.

Honorary and Retired Membership: Exempt from dues: includes membership in OBOA.

Student Membership: \$10 per year: Boconeo Membership only.

Annual Membership Dates: January 1st through December 31st



BBS Information Request: Residential Plumbing Inspector Certification Requirements

There are proposals being discussed by various industry groups to propose modifying the certification requirements for Residential Plumbing Inspector from the current requirements as indicated below.

Current requirements:

RCO 103.3.3.4 Residential plumbing inspector. An applicant for a residential plumbing inspector certification shall meet one of the following requirements:

1. At least three years experience as a plumbing contractor or supervisor for residential or non-residential buildings or structures regulated by the rules of the board or experience as specified in section 103.3.3(2); or
2. At least three years experience as a skilled tradesman for plumbing work subject to inspection under a code adopted for buildings or structures regulated by this code or the OBC; or,
3. Successful completion of a trainee program pursuant to section 103.3.9.

Industry group suggested change:

The changes promoted would be to increase the experience in 103.3.3.4, item 1 and 2, from the current three years to seven years experience – the same level as is required for commercial plumbing inspectors.

Points of fact:

1. Until May 27th of 2007, no individual was required to be certified, meet any experience requirement, or complete any code examination to perform residential plumbing inspections in Ohio.
2. The requirements adopted in the RCO have established experience requirements, examination requirements, and continuing education/certification renewal requirements for residential plumbing inspection personnel.
3. Both Residential and Non-residential plumbing systems must now comply with the current Ohio Plumbing Code.

INFORMATION REQUESTED:

The RCAC is gathering information on the impact such a change would have because this issue is before the committee for a recommendation to the Board of Building Standards. Please respond to the items below. Additional comments can be included.

- A. Please indicate whether this change would affect the availability of inspectors to perform residential plumbing inspections in your jurisdiction.

- B. Please indicate your opinion on the need to require residential plumbing inspectors to meet the same experience requirement as commercial plumbing inspectors – from 3 to 7 years.

Signature: _____ **Department:** _____

Please fax this request to the Board of Building Standards at: 614-644-3147 or E-mail the request to: dic.bbs@com.state.oh.us with the subject line “Residential Plumbing Inspector.”

Thank you for your assistance.