

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

The next BOCONEO meeting and education seminar will be held on **May 16, 2007.**

Subject will be: "**Production and Installation of Precast Concrete Foundations**"

Presented by:
Chris Nespeca, Mack Industries

Course No.: **BBS2005-114**

Approved for **1.5 hours for BO, MPE, BI, RPE and RBI.**

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.bocone.org and you are on your way.

Positions available:

Brunswick (2)
Beachwood
Ashtabula County
Warrensville Hts. (clerical)
Maple Heights
East Cleveland (2)
Richmond Heights

See the want ads on page 4-5.



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Prez Dez . . .

At State level, we are losing one of the finest... John Brant. He's had enough. There are plans for a retirement party for him, more on that later. Billy Phillips has been named as his successor. Congratulations, Billy. Best of luck to both of them.

Brings to mind our dilemma... All our organizations need new members.

I was just speaking to two plumbers last week. They did not know about BOCONEO, and all the benefits our organization brings to the table. They were both interested in taking the Plumbing Inspector test and will call me sometime this spring for the info. The conversation took all of ten minutes. Soon we may see them at The Lodge. It takes little effort to tell field techs the benefits of joining. The two plumbers had ten and fourteen years in the commercial fields and one was already speaking of the taxing nature trades inflict on one's body, as many of us know.

I go out only once in a great while, but, many of you are in the field daily and choose not to share your professions. It's up to you! There are only so many inspectors and if the economy jumps forward we will be very busy trying to keep up with the demand.

Consider asking good tradesmen to join our organization. We will all eventually retire, and or, move on. You all have families, children, or grandchildren. They deserve safe housing and commercial locations for goods and services. We owe it to ourselves and to them to produce the best inspectors possible. Who would better know if a tech would make a good inspector, than you. If they take pride in the work they do, if they are courteous to you and their co-workers, if you get the feeling they will make a good inspector, talk to them about a future in inspections. You will be surprised as to how receptive those types of people are.

I challenge all of you to look. I challenge all of you to talk to anyone that you consider worthy to be among the best with you. You and I will be gone someday. It will give you pride to know somehow you contributed to the legacy of Building Inspections.

Trust Me. I would not steer you wrong. I admire you all too much for that.

Kindest Regards,

Prez Dez.

Fred De Hoff (Strongsville) a long time member of BOCONEO has been diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Hospice is at his home. He has been a good friend for many years. Please pray for him and thank God for your good health ...

Important Notice -

Reservations for our monthly meeting must be made by the Friday prior to the meeting, there will be no guarantee for a meal if received after Friday.

Membership cards will be checked at the next monthly meeting. If you don't have a card, the meeting will cost \$10.00.

OBOA Report from Phil Seyboldt April 20, 2007

The following are my notes from the April 20th OBOA Board Meeting held at the Ohio Code Academy at the Quest Conference Center on Polaris Parkway in Columbus:

1. The Ohio Code Academy was held this week at the Quest Conference Center. This location has become very popular due to its large, comfortable rooms and convenient parking facilities. Approximately 90 students attended this session. The BBS reported that the backlog of students from the last year has been caught up, now, so that if anyone wants to attend the Academy for continuing education or for other, non-required reasons, you can now call the BBS offices to make those arrangements. There is still no charge for attending the Academy, but your room and board are not covered. The next session of the Ohio Code Academy will not be until September or October.
2. OBOA is forming an AD Hoc committee to discuss the use of the State 3% and 1% monies with the Board of Building Standards not only for an expanded educational program, but also for attendance at ICC code hearings. The committee will include three (3) members of the executive board and two (2) past presidents. Reports on their actions or progress will be made as they become available.
3. For those who have not already heard, Billy Phillips will assume his new duties on May 1st as the Executive Secretary of the Board of Building Standards, succeeding John Brant who will be retiring. Good luck to Billy in his new position. John has indicated that he may still be available on some irregular basis to teach some of the classes that he was famous for. More will follow on that subject as it becomes available.
4. The ICC Final Action Code Hearings are being held this month in Rochester, New York. Rochester is only a 3 to 4-hour drive from our area, and this is a good opportunity for Cleveland building officials to take part in the code change process. For more on the Rochester hearings, go to this website: <https://abm.iccsafe.org/registration.cfm>.
5. The Toledo Joint Conference committee reported that their planning is going well. The next Joint Conference scheduled for Toledo will be held on February 10th, 11th and 12th, 2008. They have reserved the facility and will be making information available as it develops.
6. Billy Phillips reported that there will be several mandatory classes arranged for the remainder of 2007. The first class, tentatively scheduled for the month of June, will be an update on both the 2007 OBC and the new Energy Code. Other class topics being scheduled for later in the year will include the Fuel Gas Piping requirements and the update to the 2008 National Electrical Code that will go into effect January 1st of 2008. Billy also reported that the preparations for the effective date of the Residential Code of Ohio at the end of May have gone smoothly, with numerous individuals and departments becoming certified. More on the residential certifications will be on the BBS website.
7. For an in-depth look at the meeting check the April meeting minutes on the new OBOA website at <http://www.OBOA.org>.



**BOCONEO Golf Outing
is coming in July.**



Details Soon.

March 2007 Treasurer's Report

Building Officials Conference of Northeast Ohio

Begin Balance		12,411.11
Credit		
Membership	3,030.00	
Total		3,030.00
Debits		
Bank fee	3.50	
Food Feb. Mtg.	1,550.00	
Ex. Comm.	117.54	
Office Supplies	46.08	
Education	85.00	
Bedford Plumb. Class	70.00	
Total		1,872.12
Checking Balance		13,568.99
CD		20,078.20
Total Assets		33,647.19
Date 04/01/2007	Dale R. Grabfelder Treasurer	

Secretary's Report - Dave Hocevar

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If you have any questions in regards to your membership, call Dave at 440-338-6700 ext 234.

If anyone does not have access to a computer call me at 440-338-6700 ext 234 and I will mail you a newsletter.

I will need your reservation for our monthly meeting by the Friday prior to the meeting, there will be no guarantee for a meal if received after Friday.

Do not send any meeting reservations by mail, either call, fax, or e-mail.

Thank You

Registration for Lunch + Business Meeting + Education Seminar - May 16, 2007 @ 11:30 am
Production and Installation of Precast Concrete Foundations presented by Chris Nespeca, Mack Industries.
1.5 hours of continuing education credit for BO, MPE, BI, RPE and RBI.

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

Fill out the form and **Fax** to:

(440) 338 - 1606

No Fax?

Call Dave at
440-338-6700 ext 234

INSPECTOR POSITION - BEACHWOOD, OHIO

The City of Beachwood is accepting applications for a full-time position in the Building Department. The qualified applicant must have a Class III State Certification and an Electrical (ESI) Inspector's Certification.

Excellent salary and benefits. Applications may be obtained in the

Finance Department
25325 Fairmount Blvd.
Beachwood, Ohio 44122
Resumes will be accepted by mail only and should be sent in care of Eric Brey, Personnel Coordinator.
No phone calls please.

The City of Beachwood is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**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

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/AshCityWebR53.nsf/CommishFrameset?OpenFrame set

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 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

**CITY OF BRUNSWICK
ASSISTANT CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL**

The City of Brunswick is seeking applicants for the position of Assistant Chief Building Official. Candidates must have and maintain a State of Ohio Certification as a Building Official or have an interim certificate with the Ohio Board of Building Standards. Must have permanent certificate within 18 months of date of hire. Must have a valid Ohio Driver's license and a thorough knowledge of adopted building codes and construction principles. Or, any equivalent combination of supervision/experience and training which provides the skills, knowledge and abilities as required in the job description. Salary is commensurate with qualifications. In addition, a generous benefit package is offered.

Qualified applicants may submit a resume with a letter of interest to:
Administrative Services Coordinator
Brunswick City Hall
4095 Center Road
Brunswick, Ohio 44212

Resumes will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., May 11, 2007. For information regarding the City, refer to our web site, www.brunswick.oh.us. AA/EOE

**CITY OF BRUNSWICK
ZONING & PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INSPECTOR**

The City of Brunswick is seeking applicants for the position of Zoning and Property Maintenance Inspector. Candidates must have and maintain an ICC Certification as a Residential Inspector. State of Ohio Inspector Certifications preferred but not required are Building, Plumbing, Electrical and Heating. Must have a valid Ohio Driver's license. The City offers a generous benefit package.

Qualified applicants may submit a resume with a letter of interest to:
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Brunswick City Hall
4095 Center Road
Brunswick, Ohio 44212

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