Prez Dez Sez . . .

Well I’m sitting on the top floor of the Grand Sierra Resort looking out at the magnificent night lights of Reno, Nevada. It's 0500 hours. Originally I had thought maybe while I'm here, I could double all my money … you know kill two birds with one stone. Well, after paying $10.47 for a small box of Tylenol (wife has a cold), $32.00 for a buffet dinner, and $11.00 for two coffees and a muffin this morning. I better hold off … just in case.

The ICC boys are all in for the elections, so wear your name tag, if you don't want to be called "dude"! They are posting large two feet by two feet pictures of themselves all over the place. I'll bet the cost one of those pictures will buy a lot of muffins. But it’s all nice, a little overdone in my opinion, but nice.

I think just maybe this ICC business is overdone. The money they have collected for things like travel and that new Green Building in Washington. Now that’s a lot of muffins. Whoever said bigger is better must have had small feet or is it hands, I don’t remember, whatever.

I usually have a point whenever I’m being cynical. So here it is.

We are being overrun by the giant, and, I do not think the giant sees what’s close to the ground. That would be us. I’m not looking for bright lights to flash when I come into a room, but, if you have met me ten times, your inability to remember who I am, or what I do, or even, who I represent - to me, means you just don’t care.

So If you don’t care why are you here? And why am I voting for you?

Maybe I’m just tired, and, maybe we’ve gotten too big. I remember when almost everyone knew each other by first names. When you could walk up to the President and say “Hi Paul, how are you” and he would say “fine dude, I mean Bill.”

I just think the world is getting so impersonal and its all about me, me, me ... I don’t mean me. I mean them. You know what I mean!

When I was four years old, I knew everyone on the whole street. I would walk around and say hello to them and call them by name. All my life I have wanted to know good people, and, I care for them all. Am I wrong? Or has the world gotten to impersonal. Just a thought.

Now the question…. should I try to double what’s left?

Kindest Regards,

Prez Dez
The following are my notes from the September 14th OBOA meeting held in Westerville:

1. Mike Spry made a detailed report of the disaster response that took place in Findlay, Ottawa, Bucyrus and Hancock County and surrounding areas recently as the result of recent flooding in those areas. A total of 37 inspectors responded to the request for volunteers, with no single day having less than 20 to 22 responders. They performed 2,365 inspections during the 5 or 6 days that they were in the stricken area. Mike reported that the response went very well, with one of the difficulties being identification of individuals and the directing of the work. Mike reported that there are several levels of response, with some individuals working in a central dispatching area doing reports and other necessary FEMA paperwork, while others managed teams and still others performed inspections. He reported that with this new experience under our belts it will be easier to set up the next levels of training for this program. He also felt that maybe the basic training should be offered again. One comment was for the committee to remember that not all disasters will be floods. Mike acknowledged that comment. Another asked if retired members could be more help. It was discussed that individuals who are not full-time employees of a municipality would not be properly insured and would not enjoy the same immunities and legal protections as those that have full-time status.

2. Paul Blanchette of the North Central Ohio group distributed a detailed report of the credits and expenses from the Sawmill Creek Conference. The final account shows a profit that will be split 50-50 with OBOA of $12,916.31. A check in the amount of $6,392.16 toward that reconciliation was given to Treasurer Mike Rudey. A small amount will be paid at a later date when outstanding monies have been received. Mike Rudey reported that planning for the Toledo conference is on schedule. The initial announcement for the conference was passed out to all board members and emailed to a large list of people. Since the number of rooms at the hosting Hilton will be somewhat limited, everyone is encouraged to book early to get their room. Other rooms at satellite facilities will also be arranged.

3. The Ohio Manufactured Housing Commission (OMHC) has a new temporary director who is a prior CBO of Trumbull County. If he accepts the job permanently he has promised to streamline the education process and possibly work with the BBS for joint continuing education credit for training. He will be invited to speak at the October OBOA meeting if possible. Insofar as the inspection of manufactured units is concerned, Steve Regoli reminded everyone that only manufactured homes that are being intended as single-family, stand-alone dwellings are regulated by the OMHC. Units that are being used for other purposes, such as additions to existing dwellings, are regulated by the local authority, since there is no federal approval for such uses. BOCONEO is investigating the possibility of offering the 12-hours of education that is required for the Manufactured Home Inspector certification. Look elsewhere on the BOCONEO webpage for a place to voice your opinion as to whether you would support such a class if it were offered - most likely sometime in early spring. The cost of such a class if offered is expected to be somewhere around $160 plus the cost of the ICC workbook. The cost of the ICC testing for the certification is unrelated to this class and would be handled by the individual inspector directly with ICC.

4. The next session of the Code Academy will be held the first week of December. Those that might be interested are asked to contact the BBS with their request. Steve Regoli reported that there are several investigations under way right now of both individuals and departments. Several allegations have been substantiated already and are in the hearing stages. Compulsory education classes for the new 2008 edition of the National Electrical Code are being planned for November and December. The code books are expected to be available soon. The book order has been placed and books will be distributed as they are available. There are a couple of slots available on the BBS staff, including Bob Schutz’ residential code position. Bob is back with ICC. If anyone is interested in one of the jobs he should talk to Billy Phillips about it.

5. There are several new books available from ICC, including a pocket version of the Accessibility Code and a Fire Code and Mechanical Code commentary. ICC office manager Diana Westfall announced that John Payne will be retiring after the ICC conference. He started with ICC in January of 1988 and will be missed. No replacement has been named. There are also at least two other jobs available with ICC, including one that will coordinate educational presenters. Anyone interested is asked to contact Diana. Bob Schutz is back working with ICC. He will both teach some classes and work on projects that produce ICC educational materials, such as workbooks. We all wish Bob luck in this newest venture.

OBOA Report from Phil Seyboldt . . .
Registration for Lunch + Business Meeting + Education Seminar - October 17, 2007 @ 8:00 am
Solving Means of Egress Problems in Commercial Buildings presented by BOCONEO and ICC.
6 hours for BO, MPE, BI, RBO, AND RPE - BBS2007085

$60 for Members
$75 for non-Members

Fill out the form and Mail with payment to:

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

Or call Dave at 440-338-6700 ext 234
for other arrangements.

Name:

Jurisdiction:

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City: OH, Zip:

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### 30 hour Electrical Class

#### Segment #1 (10 Hours)
**Session #1:** Services: What we need to know.
- 2008 National Electrical Code requirements in Articles 110, 230, 250 and 300 for installation of Service Entrance Location, Bonding of Enclosures and Service Entrance Conductors.
- 2008 National Electrical Code requirements in Articles 110, 210, 240 and 310 for Overcurrent Devices in services, feeders and branch circuits along with a brief overview of conductor sizing.

#### Segment #2 (10 Hours)
**Session #4:** 2008 NEC: Significant Changes
- 2008 National Electrical Code significant changes in Article 90 through Article 240.
- 2008 National Electrical Code significant changes in Article 250 through Chapter 3.
- 2008 National Electrical Code significant changes in Chapter 4 through Chapter 9

#### Segment #3 (10 Hours)
**Session #7:** Required Calculations, Circuits and Outlets.
- 2008 National Electrical Code requirements in Articles 110, 220 and 310 for load calculations.
- National Electrical Code requirements in Article 210 for required receptacle outlets, ground fault protection, lighting outlets and alignment with the RCO and OBC.
- 2008 National Electrical Code requirements in Articles 240, 250, 310 and 450 for transformer installations, bonding and grounding.

#### Class Segments
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  - For OCLIB Certificate: @ $115.00
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**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.**

Classes held at Kaplan Career Institute, 8720 Brookpark Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44129 from 1:00 PM until 4:30 PM

Mail Completed Application With Payment To:

Philip Seyboldt, Building Commissioner
City of Bedford Building Department
165 Center Road
Bedford, Ohio 44146

(Checks shall be made payable to BOCONEO)
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Wednesday evenings from 5:30 until 9:30pm.

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2008 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: Bocone Membership only.

Annual Membership Dates: January 1th through December 31th