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The Newsletter of the Building Officials Conference of North East Ohio

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February 20 Meeting & Seminar

BOCONEO in cooperation with Intek Construction Products present a two (2) hour continuing education seminar entitled "Firestopping-Myths, Realities & Responsibilities" by Jeff Molchan.

11:30 am Registration
12:00 pm Lunch
1:00 pm Seminar

Registration form on Page 3

Positions available:

Lake County
North Royalton

See the want ads on page 5.

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.

B.O.C.O.N.E.O. Officers

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The New Prez Sez . . .

Let me begin by saying thanks to everyone for their confidence in electing me as your president for the next couple of years.

We had a good turnout and a great time at Maggiano's Little Italy Restaurant for the swearing in ceremonies for the new board, and the food was terrific.

Now it will be down to business, with the conference coming up almost immediately...

Prez Dez will be a hard act to follow, but I will give it my best shot. Bill and I tried to come up with a handle for me like Pres Dez, but we weren't successful. Nothing sounded just right. Nonetheless, I am ready to take up where Bill left off to do my best to keep BOCONEO a strong and vibrant organization.

Your new Education Chairman, Jim McReynolds, who also works here in Bedford, is already putting his finishing touches on a strong education program for this year. The program is heavy on building and mechanical hours (including some residential programs as many of you have requested) in addition to the various other certifications. Jim has a lot of new ideas for good educational offerings, so check the website occasionally for updates to our education calendar. It will be a work in progress. With the help of Dave Kaminski, Jim and I intend to continue and possibly even expand our plumbing round tables, adding one or two 1 1/2 to 2-hour plumbing classes in the mornings before lunch in place of our usual round table discussions.

We will also stay active in the state organization, OBOA, on whose Board of Directors I will continue to serve for a few more years. I want to encourage all of our members to take an active roll in BOCONEO also. I believe that all of our jobs become more interesting and motivating when we take an active part in code development and education. There are several ways that I can think of in which to do that. This coming year (2009) will be BOCONEO's chance to host the Joint Conference, and more hands make light work. We can always use interested individuals on our Conference committees. Many of our members would be surprised at how much more fulfilling your job can be when you volunteer your time and become more active in our organization.

The ICC Final Action Code Hearings will be in our neck of the Midwest in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in 2008. I encourage as many of our members as possible to attend at least a few days of the conference, and maybe even testify on a topic that interests you. The conferences are also a good time socially for both you and your spouse.

Finally, BOCONEO is only as strong as its membership. Encourage your staff, your friends and associates in our industry to join. There are probably hundreds of inspectors, architects, engineers and other industry professionals who live and work in the greater Cleveland area that would benefit from membership in our organization, but may not even think of joining without some encouragement. Feel free to email me or talk to me at any time with your ideas and thoughts.

I look forward to serving the organization in the coming months.

Thanks Again

*kindest Regards,
Phil Seyboldt*

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BOCONEO with the cooperation of the BBS has acquired a library of building code reference books to lend to members for preparation and taking their certification examinations.

Lending Procedure

The terms of use are very simple. Ray Sack will be responsible for storing and lending the books. Contact Ray directly for arrangements to pickup and return the books.

A deposit in the amount of the cost of the book in question will be required when borrowing any book. All of the money will be returned when the book is returned in good condition, making the cost of the borrowing the book absolutely free.

All books are available for a period of three (3) months. If the book is not on the waiting list, the book(s) may be held for additional three (3) month periods for up to one (1) year, subject to the waiting list. If the book is not returned within ten (10) days after the one (1) year period, The book will be considered lost and/or purchased by the borrower and the rental cost will be forfeited and used to purchase a replacement book(s).

A person may use a yellow highlighter to draw attention to various lines of text in the book, but that person may NOT make any marks or notes in the book with a pen or pencil. Marking in the book with a pen or pencil will render the book as not returnable, and the borrower's deposit will then be used to purchase a replacement.

Titles Available

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Rental Cost</u>
2006 International Residential Code	\$60
2006 International Building Code	\$75
2006 International Mechanical Code	\$50
2006 International Plumbing Code	\$50
2006 International Fuel Gas Code	\$50
2006 International Energy Conservation Code	\$25
2008 National Electrical Code	\$80
ACI-318-05 Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete With Commentary	\$140
ICC/ANSI A117.1 2003 Standard on Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities	\$30
NFPA-13 Installation of Sprinkler Systems	\$65
NFPA-72 National Fire Alarm Code	\$50
Legal Aspects of Code Administration	\$30
Basic Code Enforcement (1999) 8th Printing	\$30
Building Official Management Manual 4th Ed.	\$50
The Effective Local Gov't Manager (2004)	\$50
Flood Resistant Design and Construction	\$60

Raymond Sack, Librarian
City of Wickliffe
Phone: 440-943-7115
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Congratulations to the 2007 BOCONEO scholarship recipients:

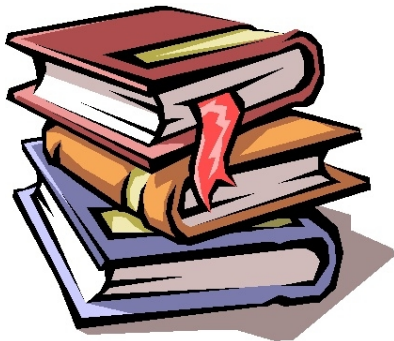
\$500 scholarships were awarded at the installation dinner on January 18 at Maggiano's Little Italy Restaurant by Treasurer, Dale grabfelder.

David H. Akers, Son of Heinz Akers City of Shaker Heights. David is a senior at Mercyhurst College and plans to attend graduate school.

Michelle A. Heiden, Daughter of Larry Heiden, Geauga County. Laura attends Kent State University and is studying pediatric nursing.

Michael B. Mihalisin, Son of Michael G. Mihalisin, Geauga County. Michael attends The Ohio State University and is studying finance.

Amy Jean Cowles, Daughter of Laura Heilman, South Russell. Amy attends Otterbein College and is studying psychology.



Building Officials Conference of Northeast Ohio

Financial Report

January 2008

Credits

Membership	\$3,300.00		
Banquet	\$1,540.00		
		Total	\$4,840.00

Debits

Ex. Comm.	\$194.00		
Office Supplies	\$255.00		
NWOB OA	\$300.00		
Bank fee	\$3.50		
Food	\$1,425.00		
Banquet	\$2,065.31		
Member Refund	\$65.00		
		Total	\$4,307.81

Total Checking \$13,978.64

CD's \$22,970.59

Total \$33,949.23

Dale R. Grabfelder
Treasurer

Reservation for Lunch + Business Meeting + Education Seminar - February 20, 2008 @ 11:30 am

"Firestopping-Myths, Realities & Responsibilities" presented by BOCONEO and Intek Construction Products.

BBS2007-073 - 2 hours for BO, BI, MPE, RBO, RBI, RPI.

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

Fill out the form and fax to:
(440) 338 - 1606

Or mail to:
**BOCONEO
P.O. Box 1008
Chesterland, Ohio
44026**

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

All reservations must be received by 5:00pm, Friday February 15, 2008.

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OBOA Report from Phil Seyboldt January 11, 2008

Ladies and Gentlemen; The following are my notes from the OBOA meeting held in the ICC Field Office in Westerville on January 11, 2008:

- 1.** OBOA Education Committee Chairman Jim McFarland introduced Terry Welker, who is CBO of Kettering and the Chapter President of AIA Ohio. Together they explained the process for regional chapters to offer AIA education credit for local continuing education offerings. Our Education Committee Chairman, Jim McReynolds, attended the meeting and made a note of the procedure. As a result, BOCONEO will begin shortly to provide AIA continuing education credit in addition to the BBS credit for all of our classes. Make the designers with which you associate aware of this important benefit and encourage them to join BOCONEO as a Cooperating Member.
- 2.** Mike Rudey of the Northwest Ohio Building Officials Association reported that the planning for the Conference is going smoothly. There are in excess of 310 individuals registered so far, and the Conference is shaping up to be a good one. The Conference begins on Sunday, February 10th, at the Hilton Hotel at 3100 Glendale Avenue in Toledo. I hope that everyone can make it this year.
- 3.** Steve Regoli had several interesting things to report from the BBS. There are still two staff positions open at the BBS office. The position of coordinator of the Residential Code of Ohio is still open as is the person in charge of BBS education that Billy was once in charge of. The staff hopes to have the positions posted in the near future, so if anyone is interested they should keep their eyes on the BBS website. There was a lengthy report on the new Energy and Electrical Code Updates. The 2006 IECC is now in effect and should be enforced. There are several methods of compliance of the energy code, and we hope to have a good class on this subject available as soon as possible. The 2008 NEC is also now in effect. Some OBOA board members reported that required devices are not yet available in their jurisdictions, and they asked how they should deal with the new requirements in this case. While no definitive answer to their question was presented, I personally checked with electrical distributors in the Cleveland area, and I found all of the newly required devices, including AFCI breakers, weatherproof and tamper-proof GFI outlets, and standard tamper-proof outlets available in any quantity. AFCI breakers are approximately \$35 each (as opposed to \$3 - \$5 for regular 15 and 20 amp breakers), while tamper-proof outlets are about \$1.50 each. A new dwelling with 30 breakers in the panel would cost approximately \$1,000 more for the new requirements. Continuing with Steve's report, he noted that the state Homebuilders Association is still very upset about the new code requirements, and they are conducting a letter-writing campaign to legislators to voice their disapproval of the new adoptions. I will meet with the Cleveland Homebuilders Association representatives on February 1st to open a dialog with them on the matter. Of additional note is his report that the new editions of NFPA 13, 13D, 13R, 14 and 72 are all now in effect in Ohio. The previous 2002 edition of each of those standards is now obsolete. Finally, he reported that there are two important public hearings during 2008 that everyone should be aware of. All proposals for code changes will be considered at public hearings on May 2nd and November 7th. Proposals to be considered at those hearings must be submitted to the BBS 3 months in advance of the hearing, which is the beginning of February for the May 4th hearing.
- 4.** John Payne of the ICC staff reported that he has been charged with accepting member input on issues that we believe the ICC Board should be concerned with during the coming year. If any of our members has input in this matter, you may contact John with your thoughts and concerns at jpayne@iccsafe.org or by calling him on the phone at 614-596-6351.
- 5.** The OBOA Nominations committee received 11 applications for \$500 scholarships this year, and found 10 of those to be worthy of awards. A motion was made and passed at this meeting to increase the appropriation of \$3,000 for 6 scholarship awards to \$5,000 in order to award \$500 scholarships to all 10 worthy applicants. The motion passed unanimously.

Renew your membership now. The January 31 deadline has passed, but, you can still get in on all the benefits of BOCONEO membership.

2008 Membership Application is included on page 5 of this newsletter for your convenience.

Applications are also available at the web site <http://www.boconeo.org>

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2008 BOCONEO MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION BUILDING OFFICIALS CONFERENCE OF NORTHEAST OHIO

Name:

Jurisdiction/Empl.

Address:

City, State, Zip: OH

Telephone:

FAX Number:

Email:

State Certifications

- BO Other - Select all that apply
- MPE Retiree
- BI Architect
- FPI Engineer
- MI Code Consultant
- ESI Trade Association Member
- PI Contractor
- EPE SubContractor
- PPE Tradesman
- RBO Material Representative
- RPE Material SupplierEduicator
- RBI Other - please describe
- RPI

Are you a member of ICC? Yes No

Membership Classifications and Dues

- Regular:** \$65 per year. Persons employed by a government agency and holding a current BBS Certificate.
- Associate:** \$65 per year. Persons employed by a government agency and NOT holding a BBS Certificate (health, fire service, zoning).
- Cooperating:** \$85 per year. Persons such as Architects, Engineers, Builders and Industry Representatives. \$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:** No dues. Membership bestowed by the Conference upon those who have demonstrated meritorious service to the industry.
- Retired:** No dues. Regular and associate members that have retired and are not employed in any capacity.
- Student:** \$10 per year. Persons attending recognized schools of learning (full time) with interests that promote the purpose of the Conference. Boconeo Membership only.

Mail application and
make checks payable to:
BOCONEO
P.O. Box 1008
Chesterland, Ohio
44026

Membership in Ohio Building Officials Association included in all membership classifications except Student Membership.

Annual Membership Dates: January 1st through December 31st.

Lake County, Ohio

Building/Electrical Inspector

The Lake County Commissioners are seeking a full-time Building/ Electrical Inspector for the Lake County Building Inspections Department. Qualified applicants shall have working experience and knowledge in the inspections of commercial and residential buildings and the State of Ohio building codes.

Applicants must possess, as a minimum, the following State of Ohio certifications: (1) Commercial Building Inspector, BI; (2) Residential Building Official, RBO; and (3) Electrical Safety Inspector, ESI. Additionally, a Building Official certification is desirable. Applicants must be able to perform field inspections and possess good people skills. Valid Ohio Driver's license required.

Candidates should send resumes by February 29, 2008, to:

The Lake County Board of Commissioners,
Attn. William A. Margalis
105 Main St.
Painesville OH. 44077

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City of North Royalton, Ohio

Electrical/Building Inspector

The City of North Royalton is seeking a part-time Electrical/ Building Inspector for the Building Inspections Department. Qualified applicants shall have working experience and knowledge in the inspections of commercial and residential buildings and the State of Ohio building codes.

Applicants must possess, as a minimum, the following State of Ohio certifications: (1) Electrical Safety Inspector, ESI and (2) Commercial Building Inspector. Applicants must be able to perform field inspections and possess good people skills. Valid Ohio Driver's license required.

Candidates should send resumes to:

Rito Alvarez, Building Commissioner
The City of North Royalton Building Department
11545 Royalton Rd.
North Royalton, OH 44133
Ph. (440) 582-3000
Fax (440) 582-3089