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President's Message

Happy New Year and I hope that you all enjoyed the holiday season and are ready to embark on a new year. As we begin a new year, it is that time again to turn in your membership applications for 2013. The application can be found on the website and the board encourages you to get these in on a timely manner. According to the bylaws, your membership must be current no later than March 1st, after that time, you will be charged separately for each meeting until your membership is paid.

This year we will be awarding nine scholarships at the January meeting. The following individuals will be receiving \$500.00 from our scholarship foundation:

Matthew Balester
Nathan Balester
Daniel Balogh
Lauren Beck
Amy Cowles
Katie Daley
Rachel Daley
Gregory Fort, Jr.
Mikayia Menn

Congratulations to all the recipients and we wish them well with their educational pursuits.

This Month's Meeting

Building Department Investigations
Rob Johnson - Architect Administrator
Ohio Department of Commerce - Board of Building
Standards
BBS2013-143a
2-CEU hours for all certifications.

Plumbing Roundtable

@ 10:15 am
&

Electrical Roundtable

@ 10:15 am.

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The annual OBOA conference will be hosted by Five County Building Officials Association on March 10th, 11th, and 12th at the John S. Knight Convention Center in downtown Akron. We have been told that conference applications should be available in the coming weeks.

A few months ago I brought up the subject of a discussion regarding the annual conference being centralized in Columbus in the coming years. At the November OBOA meeting, a vote was taken and it was decided to continue rotating the conference around the state and not centralize the event. As it now stands, BOCONEO will still be hosting the annual conference in Cleveland in 2016. That's only three years away but over the next year we will be looking for individuals who would like to participate in helping us put the conference together. Please see one of the board members if you are interested in helping out our organization. By January of next year, our conference committee needs to be in place so that we can begin working on the event.

With the new edition of the residential code going into effect this month, the Board of Building Standards will be providing mandatory training on the new changes. Once we receive information, we will post it on the website. Your departments should have also received information regarding the next OBBS training on the 2013 RCO Energy Efficiency Compliance Paths. They will be hosting a class locally on January 23rd in Akron. If you cannot attend that meeting, the OBBS is hosting the event at four other locations around the state. Pre-registration is required for this class.

Remember, we will be meeting at our new location starting this month at the Normandy Party Center. See you there and again, Happy New Year!



Warmest regards,

Paul Kowalczyk
President



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Code Corner Brain Teaser

This month you need to supply the correct multiple choice answer AND the specific code section supporting your pick.

Email your answers to:

boconeo@gmail.com

The first received correct answer will win a free entry in this month's 50/50 drawing. The second received correct answer will win a "buy one, get one" 50/50 ticket. Winners must be present at the meeting to win.

Question:

Which answer is correct? In order to get the question right, you must state the answer and the code section(s).

An architect submits a drawing for a building that contains 100 tons of organic peroxide, Class III. The construction type of the building is 3B. What is the minimum fire separation distance requirement for the proposed building?

- a) 75 feet;
- b) 30 feet;
- c) 50 feet;
- d) $5 \text{ feet} \leq x < 10 \text{ feet}$ ("x" = fire separation distance);
- e) $10 \text{ feet} \leq x < 30 \text{ feet}$ ("x" = fire separation distance).



Dave Smith
First Vice President



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Second Vice President's Report

Happy New Year 2013!

I hope everyone had a nice holiday season. Now that all of the holiday festivities are over it's now time to get back to business.

Hopefully, everyone has been preparing for the new 2013 Residential Code of Ohio (RCO). The Board of Building Standards prepared a nice document of significant changes that will help you initially prepare. Click on the link below.

http://www.com.ohio.gov/dico/docs/dico_2013RCOSummaryofSignificantChanges.pdf

Please note there are many changes from the 2006 RCO to the 2013 RCO. At first glance, the major "building" eye openers are floor assemblies requiring a membrane, new wall bracing requirements (based on the 2012 International Residential Code) and the three energy compliance options. Rather than cruising slowly into the New Year, many of us will be taking a crash course on the new 2013 Residential Code of Ohio (RCO).

Last year BOCONEO delivered some great education and will continue to do the same for 2013. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our new location in Wickliffe at the Normandy Party Center. May you and your family have a safe and happy New Year.



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Second Vice President

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From Your Secretary

The 2013 Boconeo membership application is available online at:

[Online Boconeo 2013 Membership Application](#)

We would appreciate if you would fill out the membership application online, THEN print out a copy to send in or bring with you to the meeting. The typed information is MUCH easier to read.

If you have any questions about your 2013 membership you can contact me at: hocevar@southrussel.com



Dave Hocevar
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Technically Speaking...

Welcome to 2013 and a new year of educational opportunity offered through Boconeo.

This year finds us with a new home at the Normandy Party Center. The board is in the process of obtaining audio/visual equipment to install for use in our monthly meetings and the additional trainings we offer. This is our first priority of the new year and will hopefully be completed shortly.

This past year we all had to take the state mandatory classes online. I for one was not impressed. I waited until early December because of all the problems I heard about and thought they would have been fixed but were not. Watching slide shows didn't bother me but validating the class and printing out certificates did. I hope they get it right for this coming year when we have to do it all over again.

We will continue this year to try and improve the registration and check-in processes to make it easier for our members. Constant Contact has changed the look of the tickets that you print out. There is a Q-code that shows up and directs you back to Constant Contact to log in. I don't know what that is about yet but I will find out.

Please help Dave and fill out your 2013 Boconeo applications online and then print them out. Some of you folks have impossible handwriting. See you at the January meeting.



Gregory Fort
Webmaster