



April, 2013

President's Message

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I know a lot of people keep asking, "When is the snow going to stop and the spring weather arrive?" I have to say that this weather is not really too bad because once spring hits and the temperatures rise, that only means one thing: high grass!

At the end of this month on Wednesday, April 24th, we are hosting another Educational Institute at Normandy Party Center. It is a one day event and you have the option of various courses to choose from. If you didn't have an opportunity to attend the annual OBOA joint conference in Akron last month and you are looking for some additional educational credit hours, this is a great opportunity for you. There will be a morning and afternoon session and the event includes lunch.

The annual golf outing is a little over three months away but we need your help in securing hole sponsors. Each one of you comes in contact with contractors, architects, suppliers and business individuals on a daily basis. Getting a hole sponsor is an excellent way to help out the organization. For the second year in a row, we have kept the hole sponsor amount at \$25.00. This is not much to ask for and it is easier to solicit a donation at this amount. With over 300 members, if each member got just one sponsor (or purchased one), we would raise over \$7,500. This money goes into the scholarship foundation and helps young individuals with financial support for college. The more money the scholarship raises, the more young students we can help out. You can also participate by sponsoring a foursome. Both applications can be downloaded from the website. If you are allowed, please post these at your counters.

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This Month's Meeting

Deck, Porch, Balcony Framing Connection
Greg Wujcik, Simpson Strong-Tie

BBS2013-175A 2 hours credit
BO, MPE, BI, RBO, RPE, RBI

[Click To Register Here](#)

Plumbing Roundtable
@ 10:15 am

Electrical Roundtable
@ 10:15 am

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Building Officials Conference of North East Ohio



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I am jumping a bit ahead here but I want you to know that there will be no roundtables at the June meeting. The course for that day is a 5 hour course on fire door assemblies. The class will start at 10:00 am that day, break for lunch at noon, and complete in the afternoon. Please mark your calendars about the change in schedule for the June meeting.

Lastly, when you attend a monthly meeting we ask that you give your full attention to the speaker. These individuals give time to our organization to provide valuable information and training for our members. When individuals disrupt the class, it is not only disrespectful for the instructor, but it is also not fair to the individuals at your table or around you that have come to the meeting to learn. Using cell phones, responding to emails, or playing games on devices is not appropriate behavior while someone is presenting. This time is to be used for learning and gaining knowledge on the subject being presented. Respect the speaker and those that have come to learn. There is a lot of time that goes into making these monthly meetings happen and we only ask that when you attend the meetings, you act in a professional manner.

Hopefully you have filled your car trunks with wooden stakes, placards, plenty of staples and your hammer is ready for action. Good luck with the start of the high grass season!



Warmest regards,

Paul Kowalczyk
President



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First Vice President's Report

The 2013 BOCONEO Educational Institute

Recently, many local governments are looking for creative and cost effective ways to provide building code enforcement. Be an advocate for what we do on a daily basis! Extend an invitation to your community leaders (commissioners, mayors, city managers, council members, etc.) by registering them for our 2013 BOCONEO Educational Institute, as this venue will provide an excellent opportunity for you to enlighten this group of people on some of the most important aspects of our jobs related to ensuring public safety, health and welfare within your communities.

Also, reaching out to fire officials, private sector design professionals, and contractors will encourage good working relationships through education.

Plan for some great education, food, and fellowship! We have put together some outstanding educational offerings for our annual BOCONEO Educational Institute to be held on April 24, 2013 at the Normandy Party Center in Wickliffe.

[You Can Sign Up Online By Clicking Here](#)

This year's Institute will feature three educational tracks of engaged learning; Architectural, Building/Fire, and General. You can sign up for a single track or pick courses from different tracks, providing a well rounded day of education for everyone. The Educational Institute provides a warm and friendly setting to obtain additional education and promote what we do every day.



Jerry Flanik
First Vice President

Architectural Track

Chapter 34 – Alternative Compliance Workshop BBS2013-168

Credit: 3 hours -BO, MPE, PPE, EPE, BI

Instructor: Bill Gallagher



Wood Use in the IBC & Recognition of Fire-Retardant Treated Wood BBS2013-187

Credit: 3 hours -All certifications except MI, PI, ESI, RPI

Instructor: Hoover FRTW



Building/Fire Track

Case Studies for Proper Plan Review & Inspections to Avoid Disasters BBS2013-193

Credit: 3 hours - BO, MPE, EPE, ESI, BI, FPI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RIUI, NRIUI

Instructors: Ralph Dolence & Jerry Flanik



Maintaining the Integrity of Fire Rated Construction BBS2013-164

Credit: 2 hours -All certifications

Instructor: INTEK



General Track

Concrete & Masonry – Field Applications & Quality Control BBS2013-226

Credit: 3 hours -BO, MPE, MI, PI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RPI, RIUI

Instructor: Brian Rogers



Tall Wall Seminar BBS2013-132

Credit: 2 hours- BO, MPE, BI, RBO, RPE, RBI

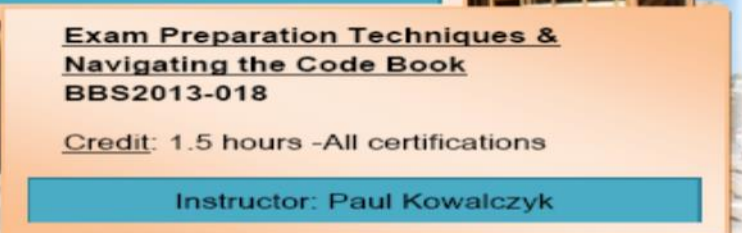
Instructor: WEYERHAEUSER



Exam Preparation Techniques & Navigating the Code Book BBS2013-018

Credit: 1.5 hours -All certifications

Instructor: Paul Kowalczyk





2013 BOCONEO Educational Institute
Building Officials Conference of Northeast Ohio
Wednesday, April 24, 2013
www.boconeo.org

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ BBS#: _____

Check the appropriate boxes for your morning and afternoon class choices:

Registration 7:30 – 8:30			
	Architectural Track	Building/Fire Track	General Track
8:30 To 11:30	<input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 34 – Alternative Compliance Workshop BBS2013-168 Credit: 3 hours BO, MPE, PPE, EPE, BI Instructor: Bill Gallagher	<input type="checkbox"/> Case Studies for Proper Plan Review & Inspections to Avoid Disasters BBS2013-193 Credit: 3 hours BO, MPE, EPE, ESI, BI, FPI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RIUI, NRIUI Instructor: Ralph Dolence & Jerry Flanik	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete & Masonry – Field Applications & Quality Control BBS2013-226 Credit: 3 hours BO, MPE, MI, PI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RPI, RIUI Instructor: Brian Rogers
Lunch 11:30 – 1:00			
1:00 to -	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Use in the IBC & Recognition of Fire-Retardant Treated Wood BBS2013-187 Credit: 3 hours All certifications except MI, PI, ESI, RPI Instructor: Hoover FRTW	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintaining the Integrity of Fire Rated Construction BBS2013-164 Credit: 2 hours All certifications Instructor: INTEK *This class ends at 3:00, if interested you can also sign up for the Exam Preparation Techniques class.	<input type="checkbox"/> Tall Wall Seminar BBS2013-132 Credit: 2 hours BO, MPE, BI, RBO, RPE, RBI Instructor: WEYERHAEUSER <input type="checkbox"/> Exam Preparation Techniques & Navigating the Code Book BBS2013-018 Credit: 1.5 hours All certifications Instructor: Paul Kowalczyk

<p>Registration Fee: \$120.00 includes lunch</p> <p>Register online at www.boconeo.org or mail check and application payable to:</p> <p>BOCONEO P.O. Box 311098 Independence, OH 44131</p> <p>(Purchase Orders will not be accepted)</p>	<p>Location of BOCONEO Educational Institute</p> <p>Normandy Party Center 30310 Palisades Parkway Wickliffe, Ohio 44092</p> <p>Questions/Contacts Jerry Flanik 440-350-2636 Doug Leovic 440-943-7133</p>
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Architects - all BBS courses are good for your HSW hours required by the Ohio State Board of Architects.

"Where education is at the center of our organization"



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Second Vice President's Report

As a result of recent school tragedies, conversations are occurring in jurisdictions regarding lock down procedures in classrooms. As a result of these conversations, the divisions of the State Fire Marshall's Office and the Board of Building Standards issued an Advisory Statement on February 20, 2013.

The advisory statement iterates the Code requirements for egress in these occupancies. The advisory also iterates modifications to the egress system can not occur without required approvals from the certified building department.

An example includes a question of whether a second lock, with a thumb turn on the egress side and a key lock on the hallway side, can be placed on the door near the floor. This location would be out of reach from an assailant breaking the door glass, then reaching in to release the thumb turn.

The advisory concludes with code requirements common to the exiting system as follows:

Doors in the means of egress must be readily openable from the egress side without the use of a key or special knowledge or effort; Manually operated flush bolts or surface bolts are not permitted; and The unlatching of any door or leaf in the means of egress shall not require more than one operation.

The full text of the Advisory Statement can be found on our website here: [Click Here To Read](#)



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At last month's meeting registration went well. We were able to maintain an accurate count for attendance. We will continue to separate from the regular sign-in sheets any member who is not current with their dues, does not have a 2013 registration form on file or did not pre-register for the class. Anyone whose dues are not current will be required to register separately in addition to paying the \$15 fee for the program.

If you register for the class and will not be able to attend please send an email to boconeo@gmail.com with that information so we can adjust the attendance count. We understand that schedules can change so we ask you help us control some of the expenses with the courtesy of a cancellation notice. Thank you.



Michael Gero
Educational Chairman



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Technically Speaking...

I am updating all of the members information in Constant Contact. There were quite a few new members added and a lot of email changes made this year. It may not all be complete by the time this newsletter is mailed out. Bear with me a bit if you received the email from an old email address.

Please remember to bring your registration ticket to the meeting. You will need to redeem it to receive a plate for the lunch line. We really need to keep an accurate lunch count so we don't over/under pay our caterers.

I've added a new feature to the website for all members to use. We now have a **Classified Ad board** for non-commercial use. Are you selling a house, car, boat, tractor, jet ski or other personal item? Someone in our group (**over 350**) might just be interested in your offer.

The rules are simple. You must be a member to post, no commercial advertising and no off color topics. The board reserves the right to remove any ad deemed non-appropriate at it's sole discretion.

The **Classified Ad board** is located at the bottom of the home page. Just click through to the next page and you can view or place ads. If you are placing an ad it must first be approved by one of the website administrators before the ad will be shown publicly. This will normally be within one day.

You may have noticed the home page video has been removed. I am looking into alternative platforms and hope to have a replacement in the next month or so.



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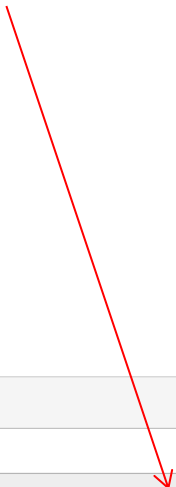
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If you know of any business that would like to place an ad on the home page of our website, let one of the board members know. Right now they can purchase an ad for \$50 for an entire month and that money goes towards our scholarship fund just like our golf outing advertising does. We get over a thousand page views each month so it is really a small price to pay.



Mar 6, 2013 - Apr 5, 2013

	Visits	Avg Session Time	Bounce Rate	Goal Conversion Rate
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☆ http://boconeo.org (UA-27895318-1)				
☆ boconeo.org	1,490	00:02:02	41.34%	0.00%



Gregory Fort
Webmaster