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President's Message

Join us on March 28, 2014 at the 2014 BOCONEO Educational Institute

Classes are filling up fast! Don't miss this opportunity to participate in our 2014 lineup of outstanding courses that are designed to engage all participants while providing dynamic interaction with instructors.

This year's Institute will feature an Architectural Track, MEP Track, along with Building/Fire Courses. Plan for some great education, food, and fellowship! We have put together some outstanding educational offerings for the 2014 BOCONEO Educational Institute to be held on March 28, 2014 at the Normandy Party Center in Wickliffe, Ohio.

This is a great opportunity for you to reach out to people outside of your departments in order to encourage good working relationships through education. Please consider inviting Architects, Engineers, Contractors, Home Builders, and others to attend our 2014 Educational Institute. Let's build good communication and consistency throughout our jurisdictions!

The Educational Institute provides a warm and friendly setting to learn new requirements, meet and network with industry professionals, and obtain additional education while promote what we do every day (not to mention the Excellent Food!). Registration and other information are also available at our website www.boconeo.org. Hope to see you there!

This Month's Meeting

**Review of IFGC (2009) For Safe Installation of Natural
Gas Piping & Equipment**
Don MacBride, Dominion East Ohio Gas
3 Hours for All Certifications Except EPE,FPI,ESI
BBS2014-201

[Click To Register Here](#)

Plumbing Roundtable

"Miscellaneous Topics"

@ 10:30 AM

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Electrical Roundtable

"Grounding and Bonding Requirements for
Buildings Supplied by Feeders"

@ 10:30 AM



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Architectural Track

Plans Examination 101

Credit: 3 hours - MPE,PPE,EPE,RPE

BBS2014-238

Instructor: Debbie Ohler, OBBS

Residential Plan Review and Inspection Requirements

Credit: 3 hours -BO,MPE,EPE,PPE,BI,RBO,RPE,RBI,RIUI

BBS2014-242

Instructor: Bill Gallagher, AIA

Building/Fire

Case Studies for Proper Plan Review & Inspections to Avoid Disasters

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

BBS2014-055

Instructors: Ralph Dolence & Jerry Flanik

Concrete & Masonry – Field Applications & Quality Control

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

BBS2014-124

Instructor: Brian Rogers

MEP Track

2011 Changes to the Plumbing Code

Credit: 3 hours -All certifications except ESI,EPE

BBS2014-Pending

Instructor: Mario DiFranco

2011 NEC – Article 250

Credit: 3 hours -BO,MPE,EPE,ESI,RBO,RPE

BBS2014-061

Instructor: Joe Cenzori, IAEl



Jerry Flanik
President



2014 BOCONEO Educational Institute

Building Officials Conference of NE Ohio

Friday, March 28, 2014

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ BBS#: _____

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

REGISTRATION 7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.			
	Architectural Track	MEP Track	General & Building/Fire
8:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Plans Examination 101</u> BBS2014-238 Credit: 3 hours MPE, EPE, PPE, RPE Instructor: Debbie Ohler, OBBS	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>2011 Changes to the Plumbing Code</u> BBS2014-Pending Credit: 3 hours All Certifications except EPE, ESI Instructor: Mario DiFranco	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Concrete & Masonry – Field Applications & Quality Control</u> BBS2014-124 Credit: 3 hours BO, MPE, BI, MI, PI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RPI, RIUI Instructor: Brian Rogers
LUNCH 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.			
12:15 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Residential Code of Ohio & Code Conflicts for Inspectors</u> BBS2014-242 Credit: 3 hours BO, MPE, EPE, PPE, BI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RIUI Instructor: Bill Gallagher, AIA	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>2011 NEC – Article 250</u> BBS2014-061 Credit: 3 hours BO, MPE, EPE, ESI, O, RPE Instructor: Joe Cenzori, IAEI	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Case Studies for Proper Plan Review to Avoid Disaster</u> BBS2014-055 Credit: 3 hours BO, MPE, EPE, ESI, BI, FPI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RIUI, NRIUI Inst: Ralph Dolence & Jerry Flanik

<p><u>Registration Fee: \$120.00 includes breakfast & lunch</u></p> <p>Register online at www.boconeo.org or mail check and application payable to:</p> <p>BOCONEO P.O. Box 241295 Cleveland, Ohio 44124</p> <p><i>(Payment accepted by credit card or with pre-paid check)</i></p>	<p><u>Location - 2014 BOCONEO Educational Institute:</u></p> <p>Normandy Party Center 30310 Palisades Parkway, Wickliffe, Ohio 44092</p> <p><u>Questions/Contacts</u></p> <p>Jerry Flanik 440-350-2636 Ray Sack 440-943-7115 Laura Heilman 440-338-6700 x233</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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First Vice President's Report

The 24th Annual OBOA Conference was held February 24-25, 2014 at the Embassy Suites in Dublin. BOCONEO membership at the conference was well represented.

I would like to recognize those attendees as follows: Walter Balester, Calvin Beverly, Cliff Calaway, Dan Cegelka, John Cheatham, Jeffrey Cook, Tex Combs, Tom Cromer, Don Cunningham, Mark Cunningham, Jim Decker, Tom Emling, David Faciana, Drew Flood, Greg Fort, Dan Gladish, Mike Gero, Lavelle Hatcher, Donald Heckelmoser, Norman Herwerden, David Hobson, Dave Hocesvar, Paul Kowalczyk, Rick Loconti, Teila Lovelle, Bob Lyons, Mike Mihalisin, Jim McReynolds, Thomas Moore, TJ Murray, Mary Ann Pellerano, Herb Porter, Larry Puskas, Robert Rodic, Russell Rodic, Ray Sack, Dennis Saxe, Phil Seyboldt, Mike Skvasik, Dale Steppenbacker, John Stigalt, Jim Urankar, Roger Westfall, and Brenda Williams.

Next year's conference will be hosted by COCOA. The 2016 conference will be hosted by BOCONEO.



James Decker
First Vice President



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Second Vice President's Report

Greetings fellow Building Officials, Inspectors, and Plan Examiners.

After attending this year's Joint Conference in Dublin, I could not help but come away impressed. Besides the great classes that were offered to us, the atmosphere was incredible. The Embassy Hotel is a Hilton Hotel, and their service was extraordinary. Any problems encountered by hotel guests were answered promptly and efficiently. The staff was courteous to a fault. The food was great (as it always is), and the entire conference went off without a hitch.

I was able to attend a class on the design and construction of storm shelters. These shelters are especially useful in areas prone to tornadoes and large-scale windstorms. Shelters can be built above ground or in ground, and come in many sizes and styles. Currently the state of Ohio along with FEMA is offering an 87.5% rebate on the cost of erecting a storm shelter. The requirements for the rebate state that the shelter must be built according to FEMA standards, which are essentially covered in the ICC publication: "ICC 500: ICC/NSSA Standard for the Design and Construction of Storm Shelters." The rebate will be given to the applicant, providing that the structure is designed and built to the ICC and FEMA standard.

For more information on the rebate program for storm shelters, please contact Jacob Hoover, with the Ohio Emergency Management Agency, at 614 799-3538. There are guidelines and code books available to interested applicants.

While the OBOA Conference in Dublin is a very nice affair, not everyone can stay in Dublin while attending classes. We must keep in mind that the next two OBOA Joint Conferences will be held in the very same locale. It is a shame that some of our associates must miss out on obtaining quality education, because of expense and time away from their duties.

If you could not attend the Joint Conference, plan to attend our BOCONEO Educational Institute. It will be held on Friday March 28, 2014. The low cost of \$120 covers: a continental breakfast, lunch, and morning and afternoon classes. This is an excellent way to gain 6 hours of continuing education, at an amazing low price.

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Second Vice President



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From Your Secretary

Please get your 2014 membership dues in this month. Per the By-Laws, they are to be submitted by March 1st. Thank you to all members who have already paid. Please check with your jurisdiction to verify your membership is up to date. You can also call me at work: 440-442-2626 x281 or send an email to boconeo@gmail.com to verify your status.

Beginning with the March 19 meeting, your membership is required to be current or you will need to pay \$15 to cover our food cost.

We are in the process of obtaining permanent membership cards, which hopefully will be issued at the March meeting. These are numbered PVC cards with the Boconeo logo on the front and a bar code on the back. These will eventually be use to scan into our meetings instead of having to sign in.

A Valuable Online Resource

Some of you may already be aware of a website www.mint.com. It is a product by Intuit, creators of Turbo Tax, Quickbooks and Quicken financial products. They offer Mint at no charge and it is an amazing program. I have been using it for about a year and thought you might find it useful too.

It is basically a dashboard for all your financial accounts (very secure) giving you one place to view all your mortgage, credit card, loans, retirement accounts and investment accounts in one place. I even have my OPERS and Differed Compensation accounts added to my account. Take a look at the demo to see if it would be helpful for you too.



Gregory Fort
Secretary/Webmaster



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This Month's Educational Presenter

REMINDER! The electrical and plumbing roundtables have changed to a 10:30 a.m. starting time. Roundtables will run from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. with lunch starting at noon.

March's class is "Review of the International Fuel Gas Code", BBS2014-201, presented by Don MacBride of Dominion East Ohio Gas. This 3-hour class offers continuing education credit for the following certifications: BO, MPE, PPE, BI, MI, PI, NRIUI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RPI, RIUI. Don always has an interesting educational presentation.

The roundtable classes are separate from the main class and each class require a distinctive sign in sheet. The BBS requires attendees to sign in within 15 minutes of the class beginning. Certificates of attendance are distributed at the end of the class. Sign in sheets are sent to the BBS to provide a list of attendees. Your certificate is required to be submitted to the BBS when you renew your certifications.

Just a couple of housekeeping reminders; if you would like a vegetarian type of lunch please email your request to boconeo@gmail.com when you register so arrangements can be made for special diets. We will make every attempt to accommodate the requests.

Also, if you have registered for the class and find that you 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 to help us control some of the expenses with the courtesy of a cancellation notice. Thank you.



Michael Gero
Co-Educational Chairman



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Report from the RCAC Chairman

The RCAC Board met on February 26, 2014.

The items discussed on the agenda were as follows:

Old Business:

The OHBA sent a letter to the RCAC to determine if blower door testing and duct blaster testing is required on new additions on existing dwellings. There are building departments that are requiring it. The Board determined the blower door test was not required and that the only time that duct blast testing would be required was when there was a complete heating and cooling system installed for the addition and only when the ducts were located outside the thermal envelope.

New Business:

The Board is going to review the 2012 ICC Residential Code. We are looking at each chapter and section to see if there are any changes that we would consider amending into our 2013 residential Code. If anyone feels that the Board should look at a specific section please contact me.



Dave Hocevar
RCAC Chairman