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## *President's Message*

### Spring is in the air....

I would like to thank all of the instructors and participants for attending our 2014 BOCONEO Educational Institute. Additionally, this venue could not have happened without the countless hours put in by our Educational Institute Committee...Job well done...Thanks!

Spring is in the air and its time to start thinking about golf. The BOCONEO Annual Golf Outing will be held (again) at Grandview Golf Club with the proceeds going to the John Korinek Memorial Scholarship Fund. We need to secure hole sponsors and participants for this fine event. BOCONEO members, please do your part and consider attending the golf outing and obtaining hole sponsors. Information is available on our BOCONEO website.



### **This Month's Meeting**

**Complaints, Investigations, & Building Department Support**

**Rob Johnson, OBBS**

**3 Hours for All Certifications**

**BBS2014-107A**

[Click To Register Here](#)

### **Plumbing Roundtable**

**"Miscellaneous Topics"**

**@ 10:30 AM**

**&**

### **Electrical Roundtable**

**"2011 NEC Section 250.32"**

**@ 10:30 AM**

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**Thank you Don MacBride for presenting  
your 2009 IFGC course last month!**



**...Education Overload...**



Jerry Flanik  
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## *First Vice President's Report*

### ***BUILDING SAFETY: Maximizing Resilience, Minimizing Risks***

This is the theme for this years' ICC Building Safety Month May 2014



The campaign is presented by the ICC and its 50,000 members worldwide along with a diverse partnership of professionals from the building construction, design and safety community. Corporations, government agencies, professional associations, nonprofits and more come together to support Building Safety Month because they understand the need for safe and sustainable structures where we live, work and play.

As shown on ICC's web site, Week 1 of the month will be themed Code Officials: Keeping Fire in its Place; Week 2 will be themed Code Officials: Helping Homeowners Weather the Storm; Week 3 theme Code Officials: Surround Your House with Safety; Week 4 Code Officials: Building a Brighter More Efficient Tomorrow.

ICC's website has numerous ideas on promoting building safety throughout your community from information booths to posting information on your local municipalities' website, to local proclamations. Visit [iccsafe.org](http://iccsafe.org) for more information.

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## From Your Secretary

The new permanent membership cards are in production, and with a little hope, will be delivered by April 15 in time for the meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Worst case scenario is they get distributed at the May 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

Most all of the 2014 membership applications and dues are in. They will need to be current before a membership card is issued. If you are now in the lucky "retired" status, you still need to fill out an application so we have current contact information.

So... Do you think OSHA would have a problem with this?????????



Absolutely.....NO SAFETY GLASSES



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Secretary



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## *Educational Presenter for this month*

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.

April's class is "Complaints, Investigations & Building Department Support", BBS2014-108a, presented by the Board of Building Standards staff. This 3-hour class offers continuing education credit for all certifications: BO, MPE, PPE, EPE, BI, FPI, MI, PI, NRIUI, ESI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RPI, RIUI. Anytime BBS staff presents, the class is always interesting.

The roundtable classes are separate from the main class and each class requires 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](mailto: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](mailto: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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## *Past President Report*

*How can I give back to the BOCONEO organization?*

*What can I do to help out the BOCONEO organization?*

It's simple.....

The annual golf outing is a little over three months away on July 18<sup>th</sup> 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 third 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 yourself), 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 and attending this event. Both applications can be downloaded from the website. If you are allowed, please post these at your permit counters.



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## *Technically Speaking*

The City of North Olmsted is seeking a Seasonal Property Maintenance Inspector.

The City of Middleburg Heights is accepting applications for a full-time Housing Manager in the Building Department.

The City of Middleburg Heights is accepting applications for a part-time Housing Inspector in the Building Department.

The Lake County Commissioners are seeking a full-time Building / Electrical Inspector for the Lake County Building Inspections Department.

Engineering Consulting Firm seeks Part-Time Residential Inspector for its Mentor, OH Office.

The City of Richmond Heights is currently accepting applications for a dependable and well-qualified building inspector to join our inspection team.

The City of Medina is extending their search for a Building Official.

For further information on these positions, [click here](#) to go to the website.

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If you use mapping software on your phone or tablet while traveling, you have to check out Waze, available at [www.waze.com](http://www.waze.com). It takes maps to a whole new level. Besides providing directional mapping, it allows users to input hazards, police, traffic patterns, gas prices etc. There are thousands of users in each area, so the information is quite accurate. Give it a try. You might just make the switch as I have.



Gregory Fort  
Webmaster