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January, 2015

Happy New Year 2015!

This Month’s Meeting
“Maintaining the Integrity of Fire-Rated Construction”
BBS2015-196: 3 Hours for all certifications
Instructor: Jeff Molchan, INTEK

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Plumbing Roundtable
@ 10:30 AM
&
Electrical Roundtable
@ 10:30 AM
President's Message

Happy New Year everyone. I hope everyone had a nice holiday season.

Last year our BOCONEO Annual Golf Outing was held at Grandview Golf Club. Thanks to all of the hard work from the Golf Committee, hole sponsors, and participants we had a great turnout and the weather was an outstanding 85° bright sunny day. The proceeds of our annual outing go to the John Korinek Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The Board of Directors would like to congratulate the following individuals receiving the 2015 John Korinek Memorial Scholarships:

- Daniel Balogh (Robert Balogh-Father)  
  Biology, Pre-Med, Walsh University

- Nick Beck (Richard Beck-Grandfather)  
  Sports Science, Mercyhurst University

- MacKenzie Bonvenuto (Traci Gallagher-Bonvenuto-Mother)  
  Education, John Carroll University

- Brian Keller (Darryl Keller-Father)  
  Business/Accounting, Walsh University

- Jacob Kowalczyk (Paul Kowalczyk-Father)  
  Business Finance, Ohio State University

- Mackenzie Maynard (Walter Maynard-Father)  
  Nursing, Edinboro University

- Mikayla Menn (Dave Menn-Father)  
  Athletic Training, University of Mount Union

- David Skvasik (Mike Skvasik-Father)  
  Chemistry/Chemical Engineering, Notre Dame College

- John Vrhovnik (John Marrelli-Step Father)  
  Visual Communication, Kent State University

Additionally, we would like to invite the Scholarship recipients and their member-relatives to join us for lunch at 11:30 a.m. on January 21, 2015 at the Normandy Party Center. After lunch the Board of Directors will present the Scholarships to the recipients.

Jerry Flanik  
President
Secretary’s Report

Thank you to everyone that have submitted their annual membership applications and filled them out ONLINE prior to printing them. It makes it much easier to read and keep the information accurate.

For those of you who have not yet renewed you membership, please submit your renewals to your jurisdiction for payment ASAP. We know jurisdictions can be slow, so the sooner you start, the sooner we can register you as a current member. March 1 is the deadline by our current bylaws so please help us out.

Did you see how many scholarships were awarded this year by BOCONEO? Nine...That’s a lot of help you provided to fellow members. I don’t remember ever seeing this many awarded in one year. We have an awesome group of inspectors in NE Ohio.
I was sent this link from my insurance agent. It’s a nifty little free program to keep track of home inventory in case a claim is needed. During the signup a few things are wrong. Where it says Enter City, enter your zip code instead. I found it easier to sign up on the Android app then go to the site to add rooms and categories. I’ll add the photos by tablet later. Hope you like it and never need it.

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Website link: [http://www.knowyourstuff.org/](http://www.knowyourstuff.org/)
This Month's Educational Presenter

BOCONEO is starting off the New Year with a class good for all certifications. This month Jeff Molchan of INTEK will be presenting “Maintaining the Integrity of Fire-Rated Construction”. This class, BBS 2015-196, is approved for 3 hours of credit for all certifications, BO, MPE, PPE, EPE, BI, FPI, MI, PI, NRIUI, ESI, RBO, RPE, RBI, RMI, RPI, and RIUI.

The electrical and plumbing roundtables have a 10:30 a.m. starting time. Roundtables will run from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. with lunch starting at noon. Please sign up only for the roundtable you plan to attend.

The roundtable classes are separate classes from the main class. 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. The attendance rooster is submitted to BBS by BOCONEO.

Your certificate is required to be submitted to the BBS by you 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
Past President’s Report

Often times when performing a plan review, I will come across a situation that falls into that “grey” area in the code. I usually end up calling another plans examination colleague to discuss the issue and then render my decision. Many times I find that these situations could be valuable discussions among other plans examiners.

I would like to reach out to the other plans examiners to see if there would be any interest in having a plans examination roundtable at the BOCONEO meeting. Just like the monthly electrical and plumbing roundtables, I would like to start one for the plans examiners (MPE, EPE, Mech.PE, and PPE). Before going down that road, I would need to see if there is enough interest among the group. In order to get credit from the Ohio Board of Building Standards, I would be required to submit a detailed request along with other pertinent information for the Board to review. If there is sufficient interest among the group, I will compile the information for submission to the Board.

Please email me at pkowalczyk@seuclid.com if you would be interested in participating in this type of roundtable.

Paul Kowalczyk
Past-President