

# B.O.C.O.N.E.O.

Building Officials Conference of North East Ohio



January 2016

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## \*\*\*Special Event\*\*\*

BOCONEO members, relatives, and friends.....Please join us for dinner as we install our 2016-2017 Board of Directors' at Normandy Party Center on January 16, 2016..



### This Month's Meeting

#### "Fuel Gas Code"

3 Hours for all certifications except EPE, FPI & ESI.  
Presented by Don MacBride, Dominion East Ohio Gas

[Click To Register Here](#)

### Electrical Roundtable

@ 10:30 AM

### Plan Exam Roundtable

@ 10:30 AM

### Plumbing Roundtable

@ 10:30 AM



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## President's Message

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season. Recently, rule amendments regarding the Residential Code of Ohio (RCO) were adopted at the Ohio Board of Building Standards meeting on December 4, 2015, for an effective date of January 1, 2016. A summary of some key amendments are as follows:

- The 2014 NEC is now a referenced standard indicated in Chapter 44.
- Section 101.2 now includes scoping language for code users to reference NEC Article 680. Also, private water systems regulated by the Ohio Department of Health in accordance with section 3701.344 of the Revised Code are exempt.
- Section 302.1 adds exception for fire-resistant rated construction regarding detached garages with an exterior wall located  $\geq 3$  feet from a lot line.
- Section 502.2.2.3 Deck lateral load connection was deleted.
- New Section 1905 has been added for installation of stationary internal combustion engines and gas turbines, including exhaust, along with fuel storage and piping. Reference to NFPA 30 and NFPA 37 are also indicated within areas of this new section.
- Chapter 22 amendments now include diesel oil storage and piping systems supplying and piped to building service equipment.
- Section 3401.1 Item #4 modifies 2014 NEC Section 210.12(A) regarding AFCI requirements.
- New Section 3402 has been added for installation of emergency and standby power systems.

Click on link below for the entire OBBS rule changes:

[http://www.com.ohio.gov/documents/dico\\_ResidentialCodeAmendEffJanuary2016.pdf](http://www.com.ohio.gov/documents/dico_ResidentialCodeAmendEffJanuary2016.pdf)

Please remember to add all of the rule changes to your code books, as they went into effect as of January 1, 2016.

**See you at Normandy Party Center on January 16, 2016.. Happy New Year!**



Jerry Flanik  
President



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## *First Vice President's Article*

I hope everyone has had a wonderful holiday season. It is a good time to forget worries and focus on friends and families.

As you all know, member dues will be collected in the coming months. As we complete our renewal applications, we need to review the definition of Regular Membership, Associate Membership and Retired Membership. Per the BOCONEO by-laws, Regular Membership is any person working full or part time for a municipality or private company who functions in the administration and enforcement of the building codes. Associate Membership is any person whose function is the administration and enforcement governing the protection of buildings against deterioration, blight, health and safety standards. Retired Membership is defined as "Regular and or Associate members who have retired and are not working as a consultant or fee paid instructor, or working in any capacity with a governmental or private agency."

As we complete our renewal applications, please select the correct category of membership. If you are being paid to perform building code enforcement of the State adopted commercial or residential building codes from a municipality or a private company, then, your membership status is "Regular."

I want to express my deepest appreciation to the membership for their trust in our Board of Directors. BOCONEO is a fantastic organization and I am proud to be a part of it. I look forward to being your President for the next two years. I also want to thank President Flanik for his guidance over the last two years.



James Decker  
First Vice President





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## *Second Vice President's Report*

As we prepare to begin a new year, along with the usual resolutions we make, this year let's add one more. This year let's resolve to help BOCONEO remain the premier OBOA organization.

Let's show our support of BOCONEO by attending this year's OBOA/BOCONEO Joint Conference in Dublin. The dates are March 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup>. Plan to attend, and while in Dublin, ask how you can help the BOCONEO staff in hosting this year's conference.

Remember: a little volunteer work can go a long way.

Many thanks to outgoing President Flanik. Jerry was especially involved with the educational programs we have presented, including the December offering. Let's encourage him to stay around and help out in the future as well.

I join with all of you in working to make 2016 a banner year for BOCONEO and all its members.



James McReynolds  
Second Vice President



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## *Secretary's Message*

Happy New Year. I hope everyone had a great holiday season. I for one am very grateful for not yet having to start up the snow blower, but we all know what's coming. By the end of February I'll be sick of cold weather and looking forward to spring. March will arrive and we get a chance to take a mental break for a few days by attending the OBOA/Boconejo joint conference. I look forward to this event every year. It affords the opportunity to dine with old friends, get education credits and take it easy for a couple of days. I hope you get the chance to join us March 6-8<sup>th</sup> in Dublin, Ohio.

As a reminder, we do NOT issue new membership cards each year. Your current card is permanent. Please remember to bring your card with you to the meetings each month to swipe in and out for attendance.

I would like to ask each and every one of you to volunteer three minutes a month for a very simple task. At the end of the presentation instead of being the first to swipe out and leave, help us by cleaning up your table. It only takes a couple of minutes to collect and throw away the paper and plates before you check out. Two or three of us clear the entire room each month and I think we all should pitch in to help with this tiny task.

Membership renewals are due now and are considered late after March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please try to get them in prior to the March meeting as we need to send your OBOA dues in on time as well.

I look forward to seeing everyone January 20<sup>th</sup>.



Gregory Fort  
Secretary



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## *This Months Educational Presenter*

This month's scheduled class will be a review of the Fuel Gas Code presented by Don MacBride of Dominion East Ohio Gas. This class will provide hours of continuing education for all certifications except EPE, FPI & ESI. Don always has an interesting educational presentation.

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

All classes require a distinctive sign in sheet. In order to receive a credit and a certificate you must scan in for each class. The BBS requires attendees to sign in within 15 minutes of the class beginning. You must remain for the entire class to receive credit. 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.

Certificates of attendance will be distributed electronically after completion of the class. We use the email address provided when you register for the class. You must sign in for each class to receive a certificate, which will be via email, 3 to 5 days after the class. If you do not receive your certificate within 5 days of the class or have an issue with your receipt of the email, please let us know at [boconeocertificate@gmail.com](mailto:boconeocertificate@gmail.com).

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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## Positions Available

The following positions are listed on the website as available. Please let us know if you find any position filled that we were not alerted to. Click on the following links for more information.

[Bocone website](#)

[Shaker Heights Building Inspector Full Time](#)

[Summit County Plumbing Inspector](#)

[Lakewood Part-Time Building Inspector](#)

[City of Lyndhurst Building Commissioner](#)

[North Olmsted Building Inspector](#)

[South Euclid Building Inspector](#)

[Mayfield Village Building – Electrical Inspector PT](#)

[Portage County Electrical Safety Inspector](#)

[Ohio Plans Examiner](#)

[Brook Park Electrical/Building Inspector](#)

[Building Official SAFEbuilt Bedford Heights Office](#)

[Lake County Certified Building / Electrical Inspector](#)

[Cleveland Heights Commercial Plumbing and Residential Building Inspector](#)

[Cleveland Heights Electrical and Residential Building Inspector](#)



Gregory Fort  
Webmaster