Building Officials Conference of North East Ohio









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President's Message

Well This year has gotten off to a quick start. Here we are in February already. We will be back on our usual schedule with our meeting and class being the third Wednesday, February 21. The registration link is active, and the Plan Examiner, Electrical and Plumbing roundtables will return.

March is just around the corner along with the OBOA Joint Conference. This year's joint conference is a cooperative effort between OBOA and NWOBOA (Northwest Ohio Building Officials Association). The conference will be held Sunday, March 18, through Tuesday March 20, at the Embassy Suites in Dublin, Ohio. These conferences provide an opportunity to network with other Building Officials, Inspectors and Plans Examiners from around the state. You can also pick up some con-ed hours toward your certifications. By just attending Monday, you can attend two classes and pick up 5 hours of credit.

We recently lost two longtime members of the organization, Bob Evans, who was an inspector for Hunting Valley, and John B. Kornick, who was a plans examiner. Both of these men were considered experts if their fields. Our sympathies go out to their loved ones.

Continued...

This Month's Meeting

"Enforcement of the Code"
Presented by Ray Sack BBS2018-032
The class will provide ICC preferred provider course credits and 2 hours of continuing for BI, BO, EPE, FPI, LPE, MPE, MI, MCPE, NRIUI, PI, PPE, RBI, REPE, RIUI, RMI, RPE, RPI Certifications.

Click To Register Here

Electrical Roundtable

@ 10:30 AM

Plan Exam Roundtable

@ 10:30 AM

Plumbing Roundtable

@ 10:30 AM

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Past President James Decker Mentor We are working on the planning and scheduling the continuing education classes for the upcoming year. If you have any ideas or thoughts of subjects you may like to see please send them to Dave Faciana, Education Chairman, at dfaciana@olmstedtownship.org.

During the next two years, I look forward to working with the Executive Board to serve our members. Remember that we all make up the organization, and we all can participate to make the organization better whether it is by serving on a committee or by assisting in the clean up after a meeting.

If you have any comments or ideas, please don't hesitate to let me or one of the officers know.

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone who attended the Installation Dinner a few weeks ago. Although Mother Nature threw us a curve ball we were able change the date at the last minute and have a great turnout.

See you at the next meeting.



Michael Gero President

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Second Vice President's Report

For my first report as the 2nd vice I want to start off by thanking the nominating committee and my fellow members for electing me to this position. I look forward to being a part of the day to day operations of BOCONEO and continuing the hard work and commitment put in by all of our past board members to make BOCONEO the top organization in Ohio.

A little about myself, I have been the Assistant Building Official for Geauga County for the past five years. Before that I worked for the City of Richmond heights, first as an inspector then as the department head. I hold certifications for CBO, RBO, ESI, PI, and am a CFM.

In my monthly reports I hope to bring items of interest or concerns of field inspections and plan reviews such as, it seems that we have been having an issue with gypsum types as of late. I have heard that some contractors have had a hard time getting complete orders filled as if there is a shortage of drywall that may be leading to this issue.

We have witnessed and have heard of Type x being used instead of type c, Easi-Lite Gypsum Board being used in place of type x. So, just a reminder, make sure to confirm that the type of gypsum used in the field confirms with what is called out on the approved plans. Read the details of the UL listed assemblies that are approved for each project. They can be very specific as to nail pattern, overlap patterns, placement of seams, etc.

There is an interesting video that can be found on line comparing type x to type c in a burn test that shows type c's far superior weight bearing properties.

Daniel Spada Second Vice President

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From Your Secretary

Many of you have already renewed your Boconeo memberships for 2018. If not, please do so as soon as possible. \$20 of your dues is forwarded to OBOA each year for your state membership. March 1st is our deadline to submit the required OBOA dues so it helps if your dues are paid prior to that.

Once again it's time to remind everyone that your plastic Boconeo swipe/membership card is your permanent card. We do not issue new cards every year. That was one of the reasons for switching to the current system.

For all the new, first time members, welcome. Your Boconeo swipe/membership card will be available at the monthly meetings. Just let me know at sign-in that you need your card.

Hope to see everyone at the meeting on the 21st.



Gregory Fort Secretary/Webmaster

Link to BOCONEO website

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From Your Treasurer

January, 2018

First Vice President Checking account beginning balance \$6932.81

David Menn

Eastlake Deposits:

Second Vice PresidentInstallation Dinner\$ 1,200.00Daniel SpadaLunches30.00Geauga CountyMemberships1,100.00

Secretary/Webmaster \$ 2,330.00

Gregory Fort
Mayfield Heights Less:

TreasurerMeeting Lunches\$ 1,875.00Laura HeilmanAwards783.51South RussellGolf Committee Meeting65.00Sunshine300.00Education ChairmenInstallation Dinner1,622.25

David Faciana
Board meeting
120.00
Olmsted Township

\$ 4,765.76

Cooperating Member
Mike Girbino Ending Balance

Mike Girbino Ending Balance \$4,497.05

Mayfield Village Fire Dept.

Scholarship Account Beginning Balance \$6,290.84

Past President

James Decker
Mentor Ending Balance \$6,290.84

Money Market Account Beginning Balance \$47,666.00

Plus:

Interest ______.81

Ending Balance \$47,666.81

TOTAL ASSETS: \$58,454.70

Laura Heilman Treasurer



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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 for the roundtable you plan to attend.

REMENBER that you must <u>"SWIPE IN"</u> to be on the attendance roster. If you do not receive a certificate that means you are not on the roster. If you are not on roster, you will not be reported to the BBS as attending the class. It is your responsibility to be sure your attendance is recorded.

The email address you have on file with **BOCONEO** is used to send your certificate of attendance. If you have changed jobs or email addresses, please let us know so we can update the contact email. If you do not receive your certificate within 5 days of the class or have issues with receipt of email, please contact **BOCONEO** at boconeo.certificate@gmail.com

David Faciana Education Chairman

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Past President's Report

Being a code official is not simply understanding the code and enforcing it. Another component to being involved in our profession is participating in the code development process. This April, the International Code Council will hold the Group A Committee Action Hearings in Columbus between April 15th through April 25th. Having the code hearings in our own backyard is an excellent opportunity to see the "other side" of the code world.

In 2005 I attended my first ICC conference in Detroit and participated in the code hearings. I thought it would be a large group of code officials making code changes. I was surprised to witness that most of the revisions were written, developed and challenged by people and companies outside of the code enforcement world. Significant changes occur to the code after a loss in life tragedy but you would be surprised at how industry drives the codes that we enforce. New products are developed and individuals and manufacturers strive for ways to get their products and processes into the code. It is an eye opening experience to sit in that room and watch people support or defend proposed code changes. You also have the ability to speak for or against a code revision and cast your vote. Being involved in this code development process has greatly educated me and given me a better understanding of how some codes make it into the books that we use for enforcement.

The Board of Building Standards is working on getting continuing education hours for your attendance at these meetings. This is an excellent opportunity to experience the code development process while gaining some additional continuing education credits. You may have watched the code hearings over the internet from your office or home through CPD Access but being in the room viewing it live is a whole other experience. You can attend for one day or multiple days. There is no cost in attending these meetings other than your time. Expand your code experience and attend the hearings in Columbus!



Paul Kowalczyk Past-President

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This year's annual OBOA conference hosted by Northwest Ohio will be held on March 18 through March 20 at the Embassy Suites in Dublin. Reservations and class registrations are being accepted. Visit oboa.org.

The ICC 2018 Committee Action Hearings - Group A Codes will be held at the Greater Columbus Convention Center April 15 through April 25. Registration is available at iccsafe.org. The Ohio Board of Building Standards has allowed for 6 hours of continuing education for each daily attendance at the hearings. However, the approval is only for attendance at code hearings to which Ohio recognizes as a standard.



James Decker Past President