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## President's Message

### **Our next meeting and class will be Wednesday, February 20, 2019!**

The registration link is active, and the Plan Examiner, Electrical and Plumbing roundtables will be held at 10:30 am. Lunch will be served at noon. The class will be a four-hour class so it will be starting at 12:30 pm.

I am pleased and excited to announce that the Executive Board has filled the positions of Secretary and Webmaster. Please welcome Monica Ferrante to the Board. Monica has been a member of BOCONEO for the last two years and works as a Permit Technician for the City of South Euclid.

**Dues are due!** The application for renewal and new membership can be found at the BOCONEO website. An application need to be submitted each year for all types of membership, including retired. Dues are due January 1<sup>st</sup> and considered late on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please get your dues submitted as soon as possible.

The 2019 OBOA/SWOBOA Joint Conference is scheduled for March 3-5, 2019 in Cincinnati, Ohio. This year's conference will have some interesting speakers and offer OCILB continuing education hours also. Check out the website, [www.swoboa-experience.com](http://www.swoboa-experience.com), or contact Jim Decker for more information.

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**February 2019 Meeting**  
**"Review of the 2017 NEC"**  
**Presented by Paul Fussner BBS2019-023**

**This class will provide ICC preferred provider course credits and 4 hours of continuing for BO, BPE, EPE, ESI, MPE, RBO, RPE certifications.**

Registration Opens February 7

**Electrical Roundtable**  
**@ 10:30 AM**

**Plan Exam Roundtable**  
**@ 10:30 AM**

**Plumbing Roundtable**  
**@ 10:30 AM**

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Please remember, if you did not receive your class certificate within 10 days of the meeting, you must let me know right away. The most common reason that you did not receive one is that you were not scanned into the class roster list. Please be sure to scan in at each meeting. If you are not on the list, we will not be able to supply you with the certificate.

The planning and scheduling the continuing education classes for 2019 continues. 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](mailto:dfaciana@olmstedtownship.org).

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.

See you at the meeting,



Michael Gero  
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## *First Vice President's Report*

I hope everyone was able to stay warm through our cold spell. Just want to remind everyone that on April 1 the OBBS certification changes take place. Some new requirements for renewing your certifications require that you take an ethics class, existing structures, and Chapter 1 class. This requirement will be for any certifications that need to be renewed in 2020 and beyond. If your certifications expire in June of this year or December 31, 2019, you will not be required to have those classes.

Also, the residential code takes effect July 1, 2019. As of now, OBBS will not have a mandatory training on the significant changes. OBBS is talking about offering an ICC Residential Code Essentials class for inspectors and contractors and their goal is to have something in place by March.



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## *From Your Secretary*

I look forward to serving the BOCONEO community as secretary/webmaster. Many of you have already renewed your Boconeo memberships for 2019. If not, please do so as soon as possible. \$20 of your dues is forwarded to OBOA each year for your state membership. March 1<sup>st</sup> 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 20th.

[Link to BOCONEO website](#)



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## From Your Treasurer

January, 2019

Checking account beginning balance			\$ 6,392.34
Deposits:			
Replacement card		\$	20.00
Lunches			15.00
Memberships			<u>5,900.00</u>
			\$5,935.00
Less:			
T. Jamieson-ICC Conference expenses	315.43		
Ohio Floodplain Assoc.	1,000.00		
Executive Board meeting	120.00		
Meeting Lunches	<u>1,956.00</u>		
			\$3,391.43
<b>Ending Balance</b>			<b><u>\$ 8,935.91</u></b>
Scholarship Account Beginning Balance			\$7,873.93
Deposits:			
No deposits			
Less:			
No withdrawals			
<b>Ending Balance</b>			<b><u>\$7,873.93</u></b>
Money Market Account Beginning Balance		\$47,675.52	
Plus:			
Interest		<u>.81</u>	
<b>Ending Balance</b>			<b><u>\$47,676.33</u></b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS:</b>			<b>\$64,486.17</b>



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## *Past President's Report*

At the upcoming Annual meeting at the Joint Conference on March 4 in Cincinnati, the general membership will likely be presented with two By-Law changes.

First, a committee was formed to review the make-up of the existing committees and review the Board of Directors policies regarding committees. This review has resulted in a change to the By-Laws. The OBOA Board of Directors has agreed to place this By-Law change on the ballot.

The second By-Law change stems from a By-Law change approved last year. In that change, a definition of Retired-Former-Active was created and allowed for these persons to serve as Directors of OBOA. It did not allow them to serve as Officers. The upcoming By-Law change would allow Retired-Former-Active members to be both Officers and Directors. The OBOA Board of Directors have agreed to place this By-Law change on the ballot.

The full text of these changes will be submitted via e-mail from the Board in the near future.

The other major activity at the OBOA level is the solicitation of a company to provide member management services. As a quick overview, this product would provide for tracking memberships, dues, a meeting connection type function, emails blasts and the potential for delivering certifications from our educational offerings. OBOA and all the sub-chapters would be able to use the product.



James Decker  
Past President