



October, 2019

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President's Message

Our next meeting and class will be Wednesday, October 16, 2019!

The class will be presented by BOCONEO's own Jerry Flanik. 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.

We are approaching the end of the year, which is also the end of my term as President and end of term for all of the elected officers. The November meeting will be our annual business meeting and election of the 2020-2021 slate of officers. The nominating committee has been formed and is seeking anyone who may be interested in serving in a capacity on the Executive Board. Contact Jim Decker to find out more information about serving.

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October, 2019 Meeting

Jerry Flanik

2015 IMC Design, Installation, and Inspection Principles

3 Hours for the following certifications:

**BI, BO, BPE, EPE, FPI, FPPE, LPE, MPE, MI, Mech, NRIUI, PI, PPE, RBI,
RBO, REPE, RIUI, RMI, RPE, RPI**

OBBS approval # BBS2019-593: ICC PP Number 1010-12396

[Register here.](#)

Electrical Roundtable

@ 10:30 AM

Plan Exam Roundtable

@ 10:30 AM

Plumbing Roundtable

@ 10:30 AM

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Building Officials Conference of North East Ohio



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The ICC Annual Conference and Public Comment Code Hearings are approaching. The conference will be held in "Clark County, Nevada" and events will commence on Sunday, October 20. Eight members of BOCONEO are planning to attend this year's conference.

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Remember that a 2020 BOCONEO membership application needs to be completed by each member for the new year. Dues should be submitted with those applications, which are due by March 1. As quickly as this summer went by, the new year will be here in no time.

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See you at the next meeting,

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From Your Secretary

It is important that we keep our member information up to date. We need to have only one e-mail on file for all members. It is up to you whether you use a personal or work e-mail, but it must be consistent with your registration.

Please contact me if you need to update any information for your file at mferrante@seuclid.com.

Also, as stated before, we need all members to fill out a new application at the beginning of the year, including retirees, your membership will not be considered active without the application.

Please remember to swipe in for each meeting as this is how your certificates are generated. If you attend a roundtable and plan to attend the general afternoon session, you must swipe in again for the second portion.

If you have not received a membership card or need a new card, please let me know at sign in table. Replacement cards are \$10.

Reminder, the meeting link for the monthly meeting is typically active at the beginning of the month on the BOCONEO website, but the newsletter may not be published at the same time.

The 2020 BOCONEO Scholarship application is available on the website.

Thank you. See you at the meeting.



Monica Ferrante
Secretary

[Link to BOCONEO website](#)



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From Your Treasurer

September, 2019

Checking account beginning balance		\$ 9,596.14
Deposits:		
Raffle	116.00	
Membership	100.00	
	\$ 216.00	
Less:		
Insurance	512.00	
Executive Board Meeting	130.00	
Monthly Meeting Lunches	1,740.00	
	\$ 2382.00	
Ending Balance		\$ 7430.14
Scholarship Account Beginning Balance		\$ 9,286.48
Deposits:		
None		
Less:		
None		
Ending Balance		\$ 9,286.48
Money Market Account Beginning Balance		\$ 47,681.86
Plus:		
Interest	21.76	
Ending Balance		\$ 47,703.62
TOTAL ASSETS:		\$ 64,402.24



Laura Heilman
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Fire Marshal's Report

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Fire Prevention Week is observed in the United States in memory and recognition of the great Chicago fire, which started on October 8, 1871 and burned through October 10th claiming over 300 lives and leaving more than 100,000 homeless. The fire also destroyed more than \$200 million in property. The cause of the fire was never determined, but the cow belonging to Patrick and Catherine O'Leary is often credited. This year we observe Fire Prevention Week from October 6th through the 12th.



While the Great Chicago Fire is the most widely known blaze to start during the period between October 8th and 10th, it wasn't the largest. On October 8th of that very same year, the most devastating forest fire in American history occurred in Peshtigo, Wisconsin. The fire consumed 16 towns killing 1,152, and destroyed 1.2 million acres. Historical accounts of the fire indicate the blaze began when several railroad workers clearing land for tracks unintentionally started a brush fire. In a very short time the fast moving flames ripped through the area. The small town of Peshtigo suffered the most damage. Within an hour, the entire town had been destroyed.



Great Peshtigo Fire of 1871

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In 1920, President Woodrow Wilson issued the first National Fire Prevention Day proclamation, and since 1922 Fire Prevention Week has been observed on the Sunday through Saturday period in which October 9th falls. According to the National Archives and Records Administration's Library Information Center, Fire Prevention Week is the longest running public health and safety observance on record. The President of the United States has signed a proclamation proclaiming a national observance during that week every year since 1925.

Over the years, fire prevention week has unofficially grown into what some refer to as fire prevention month, beginning on the first day of October and ending on Halloween.

Most fire fatalities occur where we reside, and while we sleep. The Month of October, and Fire Prevention Week reminds us to take some time to ensure we are safer at home. I invite you all to set aside some time with your families this week with that in mind. Develop and practice a fire escape plan. Make certain all egress routes from your homes are operable and accessible including windows.

Evaluate your smoke alarms and replace them if they are more than 10 years old, and consider installing additional devices in locations required by code for new construction for optimal protection. Consider multi-criteria alarms with long life batteries as replacements. These alarms typically utilize multiple detection sensors to sense a fire including optical smoke sensors, heat, and carbon monoxide sensors and employ a microprocessor to process data and initiate an alarm. These types of devices typically provide the earliest warning for fires in all stages of development. Many of these products also offer apps so you can monitor their status and receive alerts on your connected smart devices. Some have the capability of shutting down your HVAC system when smoke is detected when connected thermostat controls are used thereby limiting the spread of deadly smoke.

For more information, please visit www.neofpa.org.

Take care and be safe!



Assistant Chief Michael Girbino, Fire Marshal
Mayfield Village Fire
B.O.C.O.N.E.O. Ad-Hoc Executive Board Member



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Past President's Report

As you may recall from last month, OBOA is in the process of going live with a new membership directory software. On or before September 20, all members should have received an email from support@clubexpress.com or mailer@mail2.clubexpress.com.

If you did not receive this mailing, please check your inbox or junk mail. If you still do not have the email, contact Secretary, Monica at mferrante@seuclid.com. The email would have provided you with a sign-in address and password. Once logged-in, you can change your account information by clicking on the arrow found in the upper right-hand corner of the page. Please verify your personal information is correct, make changes and/or update your profile information.

Be advised, OBOA will be using this service to track membership status, schedule meetings, schedule conferences, schedule education, website, etc. Each chapter will also use program for their local needs.

We are still looking for interested persons in serving on the BOCONEO Board of Directors. If interested please contact me at decker@cityofmentor.com.



*James Decker
Past President*