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President's Message

Our next WebEx meeting and class will be Wednesday, February 17, 2021! The registration link is active, and the Plan Examiner, Plumbing and Electrical roundtables will be held at 9:00 am on Wednesday, 2/17 for Plans Examiner, Thursday, 2/18 for Plumbing, and Friday, 2/19 for Electrical. The main class is the required Ethics class by Susan Wilke held at 1:00 p.m.

I want to take a moment again to thank Jim Decker, Rob Brown, and Larry Ellis for not just moderating the roundtables but taking time to research material and present information to all attendees. I also want to thank all of our members as well. You have all been patient with any technology issues we have had to deal with through this process. So, Thank You all, for continuing to make BOCONEO a great organization, it truly does take all of us.

2021 membership dues are due! The application for renewal and new membership can be found on the BOCONEO website. An application needs to be submitted each year for all types of memberships, including retired. Dues are due January 1st and considered late on March 1st. Please get your dues submitted as soon as possible. If membership is not current, you will not be able to attend any of the classes, so make sure you are current by the end of the month.

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February 17, 2021 Meeting

1:00 - 3:00 p.m

Susan Willeke

Ohio Ethics Law

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Roundtables via WebEx

Plans Examiner Roundtable
February 17, 2021- 9:00 a.m.

Plumbing Roundtable
February 18, 2021- 9:00 a.m.

Electrical Roundtable
February 19, 2021-9:00 a.m.

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Building Officials Conference of North East Ohio



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As a tribute to Steve Regoli from the Board of Building Standards and a farewell into retirement for his last class, The Five County Building Officials Association will be hosting a class for the presentation of the Ohio Building Code, Chapter 1 Updates. This will be a 2-hour session with CEU's for all certifications, Wednesday, February 10, 2021, 8:30 AM until 10:30 AM. This is a free class you can sign up for through Club Express. Reminder you must be current with your BOCONEO and OBOA membership to be able to register.

The 2020 ICC Chapters Annual Report is due next month. This is the report that earns BOCONEO rewards for an ICC class, or vouchers for ICC events or ICC store. Anything you or your department did last year that helped promote the building industry can be used to earn points towards these rewards, a news article, teaching a class, sponsoring a community event for building safety or awareness. If you or your department did anything that you feel could be added to the report, please email me or one of the Board Members.

The planning and scheduling of the continuing education classes for 2021 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. 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,



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1st Vice President Report

I would like to thank our BOCONEO members, specifically the plumbing roundtable members this past month for their patience during the roundtable technical difficulties. Also, a thank you for the members attending to promote topic conversation during the technical disruption.

The announcement has come forth from the OBOA/ODPCA committee regarding the 2021 OBOA/ODPCA Joint Conference. The conference/education shall be held in Dublin, Ohio on November 7, 8 and 9. The conference in Dublin will be held at the Embassy Suites where recent conferences have been held. More information will be available such as registration, education, etc as the committee completes the conference agenda.

Stay safe and stay healthy for 2021!

Russ VP

Russ Rodic
1st Vice-President



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Treasurer Report

January 2021

Checking account beginning balance		\$17,049.70
Deposits:		
Memberships		5,400.00
	\$	5,400.00
Less:		
WebEx and Website fees		774.36
	\$	774.36
Ending Balance		\$ 21,675.34
Scholarship Account Beginning Balance		\$ 5,561.48
Deposits:		
None		
Less:		
None		
Ending Balance		\$ 5,561.48
Money Market Account	Beginning Balance	\$ 47,895.19
Plus:		
Interest		\$ 4.07
Ending Balance		\$ 47,899.26
TOTAL ASSETS:		\$ 75,136.08



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From Your Secretary

Hello!

Membership applications and dues for 2021 are now due. Please submit asap as we do not want members to miss out on continuing education classes due to non-payment. We do need an application from all members to, including retirees, to keep our database updated.

Please remember that by paying dues to BOCONEO, this also covers your dues for OBOA.

The email you provide on your membership application is where you will receive newsletter and certificates, please be sure to keep us updated of any changes. When registering for classes through WebEx be sure your email address is accurate to ensure you receive your certificate.

The 2021 BOCONEO Scholarship application is posted on the BOCONEO website. Deadline for submittals is March 31, 2021.

Please check the website for job postings. If you need a posting put on website, please send it to me in a Word Doc, to ferrantemonica297@gmail.com.

Also, if you have a post on the website and the job has been filled, please let me know, so I can update the site.

Wishing you all peace and good health!



Stay strong and shine bright!

Monica Ferrante
Secretary

[Link to BOCONEO website](#)



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2nd Vice President Report Education Chair

This month's class will be held on February 17, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Susan Willeke

Education and Communications Manager

Susan Willeke is an accomplished government-relations professional with more than 27 years' experience in public affairs, communication and public speaking. Susan joined the Ohio Ethics Commission in 2005 as the Education and Communications Manager where she oversees and conducts educational and communication outreach. In that position, Susan presents approximately 200 speeches annually, develops information strategies regarding agency programs and represents the Ethics Commission to Ohio citizens, the media and the Ohio legislature.

The Ohio Ethics Law: It's Everybody's Business!

This lively session will help public officials and employees in understanding how to identify and avoid acting on potential conflicts of interest. It will also provide information regarding ethics prohibitions related to public contracts and potential post-employment requirements. Attendees will also learn about general assistance available from the Ohio Ethics Commission to assist both the public and provide sectors in understanding and complying with the Ethics Laws.



Dave Faciana
2nd Vice-President
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Past President's Report

The BBS has just put on a Code Academy. Part of that Code Academy was an offering of a self-study Chapter 34 class. If you need this class for your renewal, check with the BBS if the self-study version would be acceptable to meet the requirement. We are having an Ethics class this month which will meet the Ethics class requirement. Please do not wait until the last minute or month to check your classes for renewal.

The BBS had recently sent an email regarding the subject of certification renewal;

Certifications expiring between March 9, 2020 between April 1, 2021:

Full building department certifications expiring on June 30, 2020 and December 31, 2020 have until July 1, 2021 to submit your renewal application. Fire protection system designer certifications expiring during this time period have until July 1, 2021 to submit your renewal application. However, if you have completed your continuing education requirements you are encouraged to renew on time as this extension does not change the date of your next renewal.

If you have not yet completed 30 hours of continuing education required to renew your full building department personnel certification, please contact the Board office for information on online continuing education training opportunities.

Interim and trainee certifications expiring between December 31, 2019 through June 30, 2021:

In April 2020, the Board approved extensions of interim and trainee certifications expiring December 31, 2019 through June 30, 2021 until December 31, 2021.

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Full building department personnel certifications expiring on June 30, 2021 and after:

In April 2020, the Board delayed the implementation of the code administration, existing buildings, and ethics mandatory training required to renew building department personnel certifications to begin with certifications expiring on June 30, 2021. Certification renewals due on June 30, 2021 and after must include certificates of completion of mandatory code administration (3 hrs), existing buildings (3 hrs), and ethics (1 hr) mandatory training as part of the 30 hours of required continuing education. If your certification expires on June 30, 2021 and you have not yet completed the mandatory training, please contact the Board office for information on how to access these trainings online.

Should you have any specific questions, please contact the BBS directly.

Should you "attend" a BOCONEO WebEx class and are logged in on a phone or someone else's name, be sure to notify Secretary, Monica Ferrante so we can be sure to send you your certificate. **REMEMBER, it is your responsibility to be sure you are on the attendance roster and the BOCONEO has a valid email for you.**

Please stay safe and healthy until we all are able to fellowship and gather again,

Michael Gero



Michael Gero
Past President